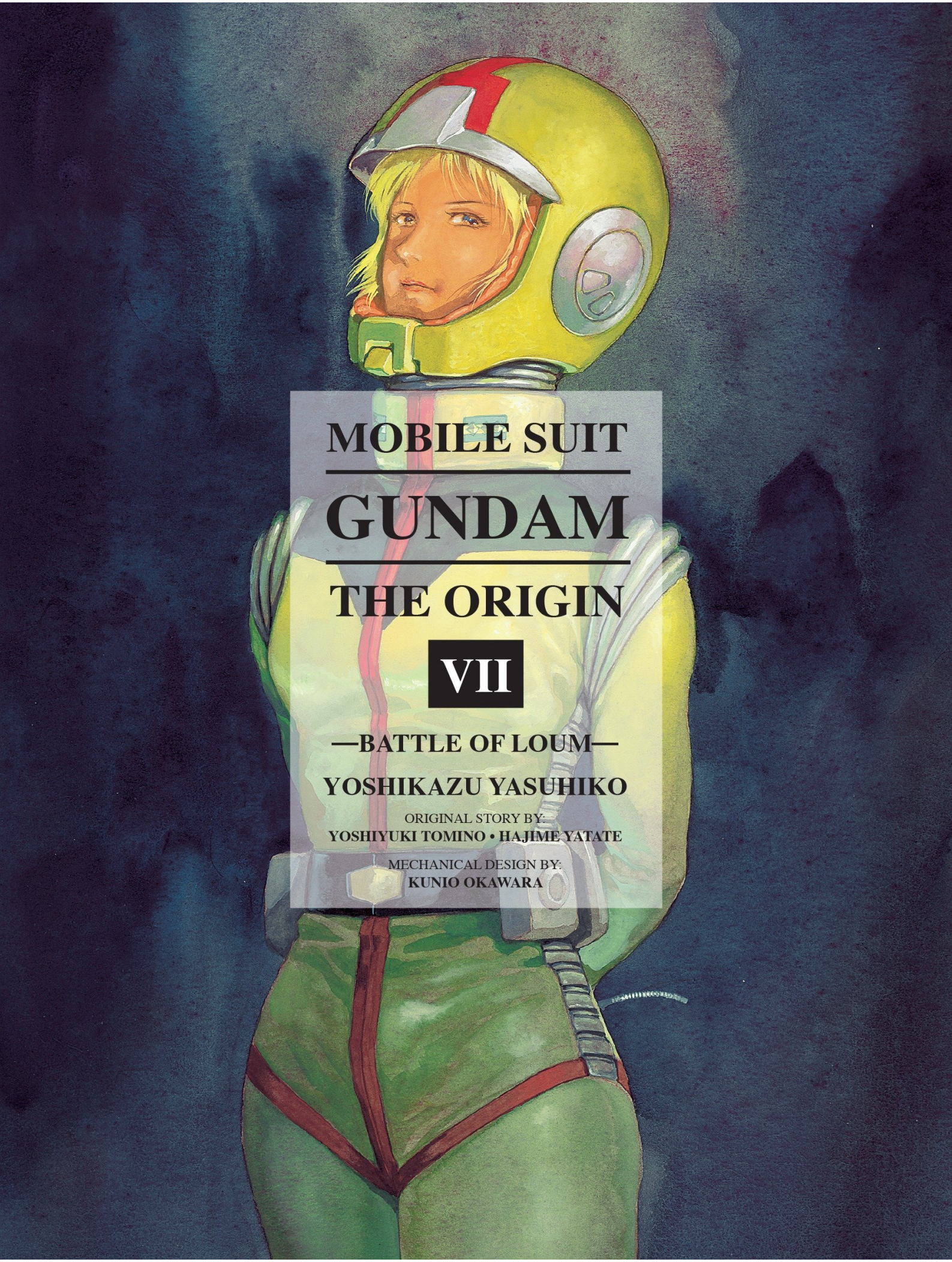

MOBILE SUIT GUNDAM

THE ORIGIN

VII

—BATTLE OF LOUM—

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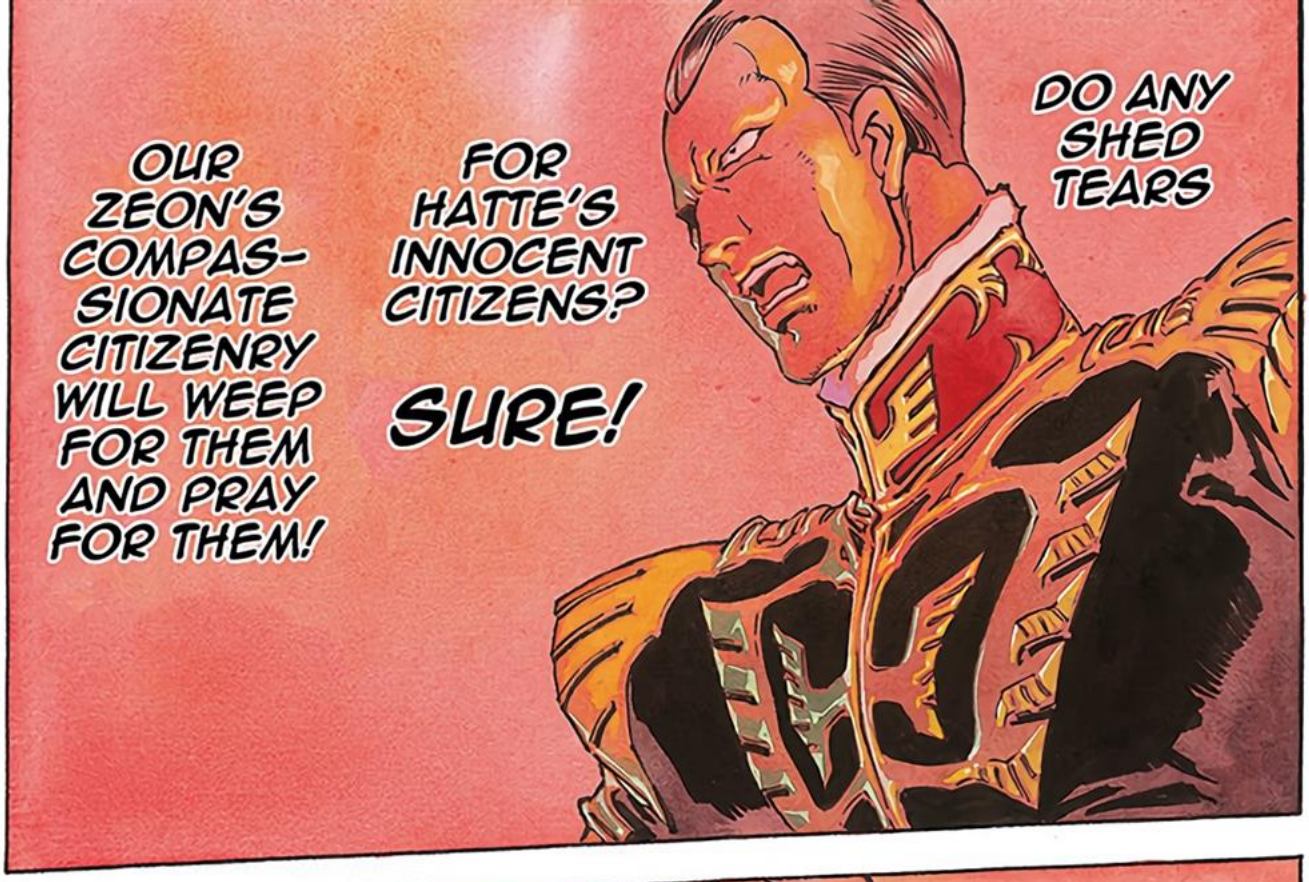
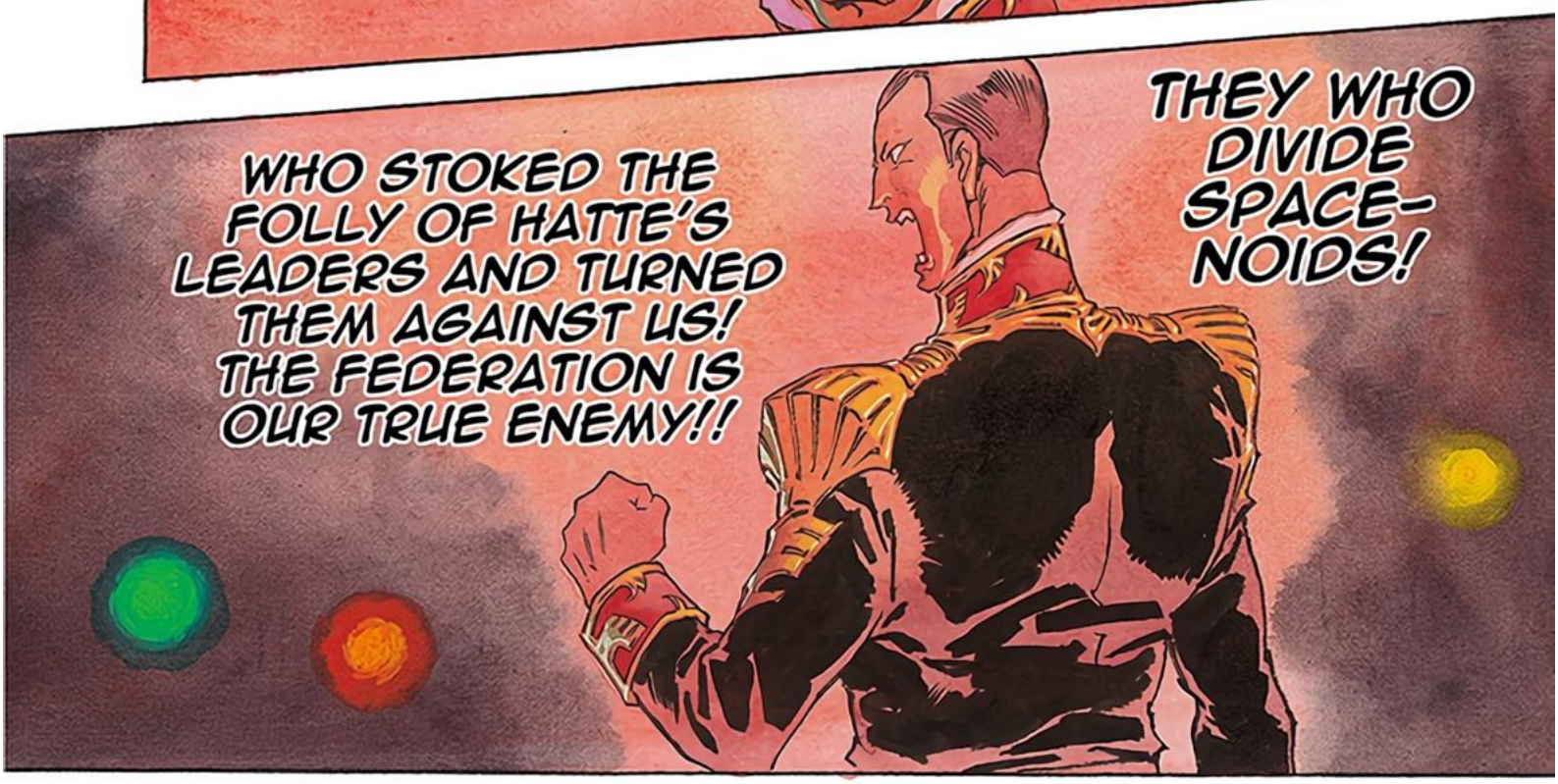
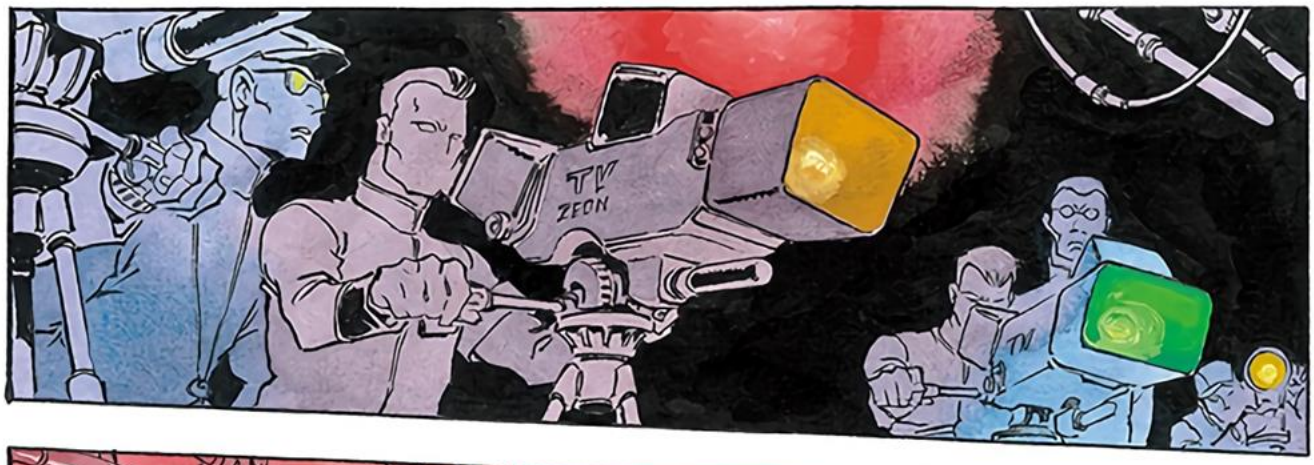
HEAVEN ITSELF HAS INCINERATED SIDE 2!!


DO ANY SHED TEARS
FOR HATTE'S INNOCENT CITIZENS?
SURE!
OUR ZEON'S COMPAS-SIONATE CITIZENRY WILL WEEP FOR THEM AND PRAY FOR THEM!

AT THE SAME TIME, OUR PEOPLE CANNOT BUT
DIRECT ITS HEARTFELT FURY AGAINST THE VILE EARTH FEDERATION!


THEY WHO DIVIDE SPACE-NOIDS!
WHO STOKED THE FOLLY OF HATTE'S LEADERS AND TURNED THEM AGAINST US! THE FEDERATION IS OUR TRUE ENEMY!!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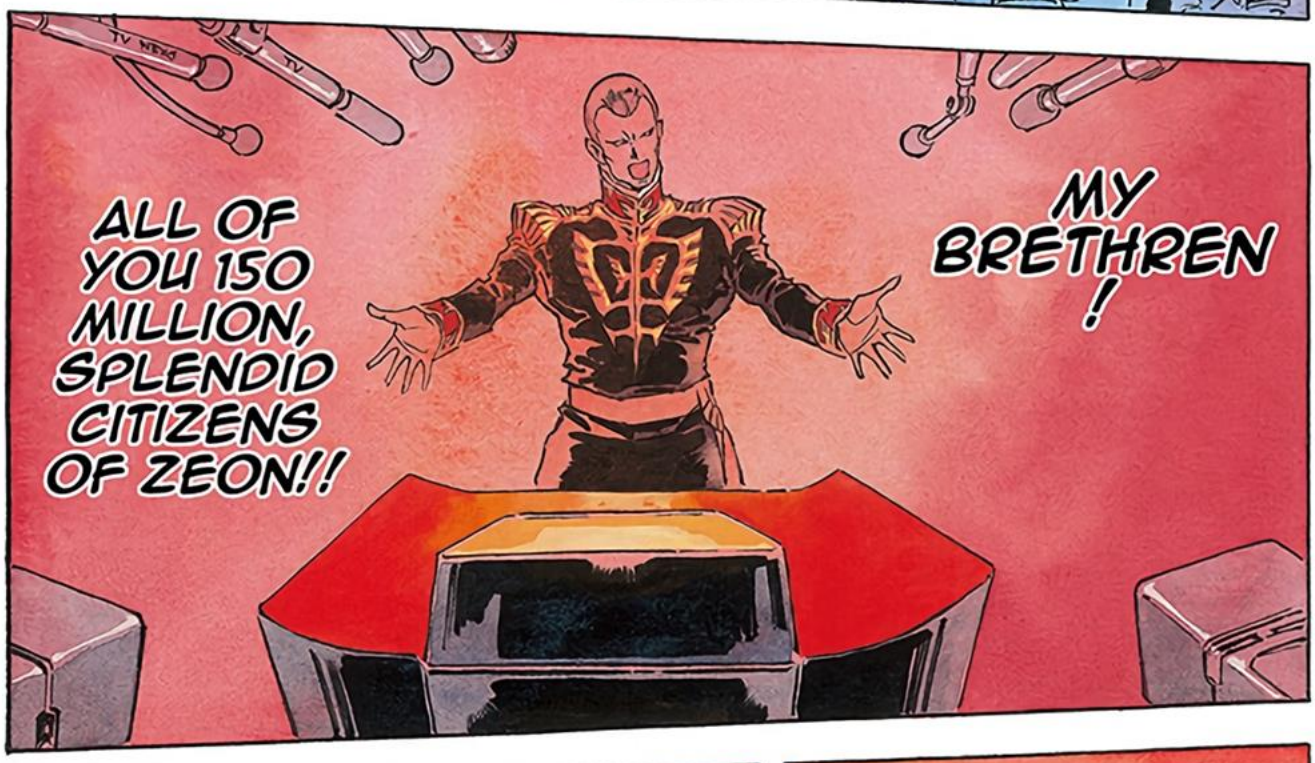
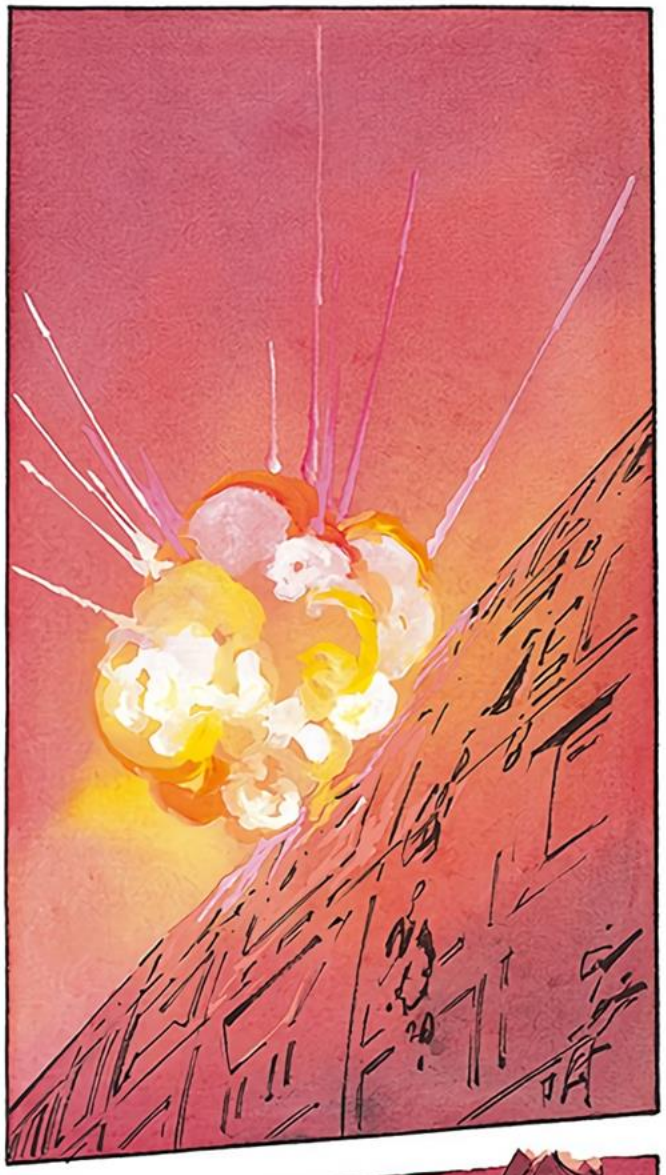
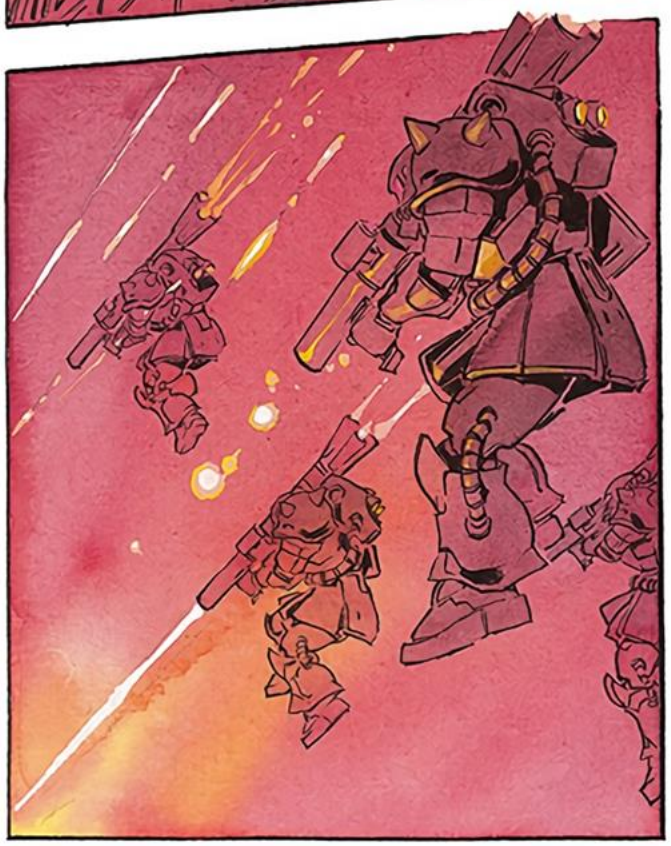
ZEON

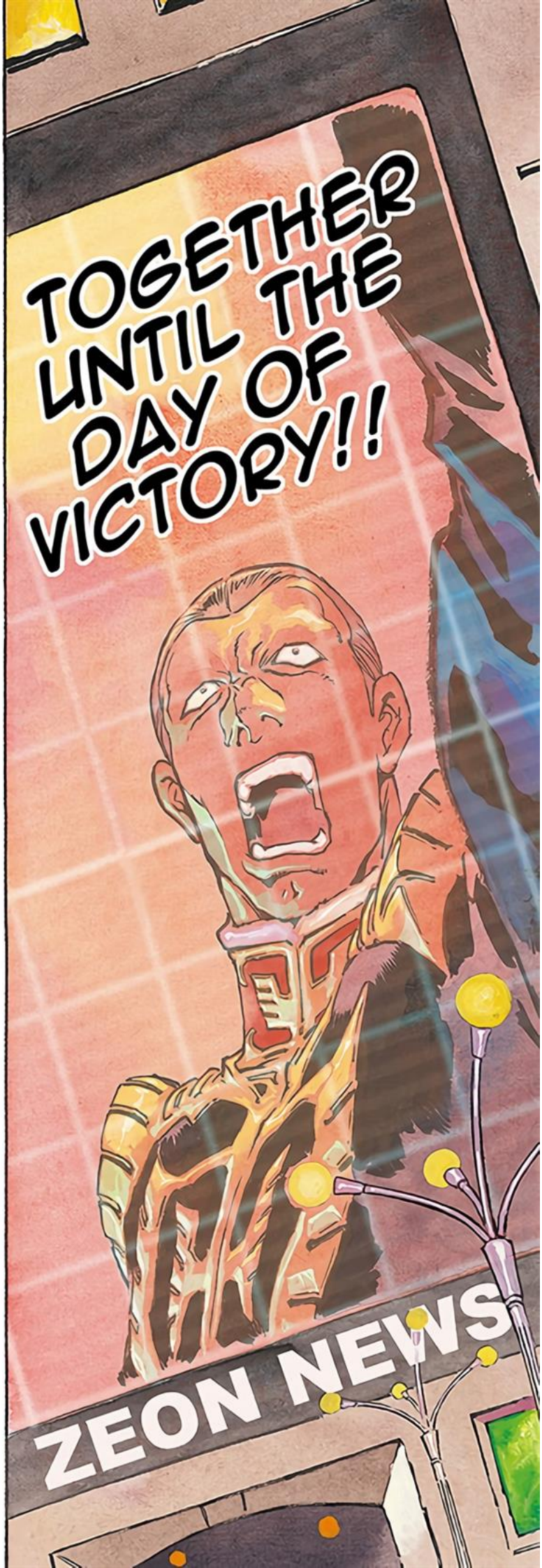

ALL OF YOU 150 MILLION, SPLENDID CITIZENS OF ZEON!!
MY BRETHREN!

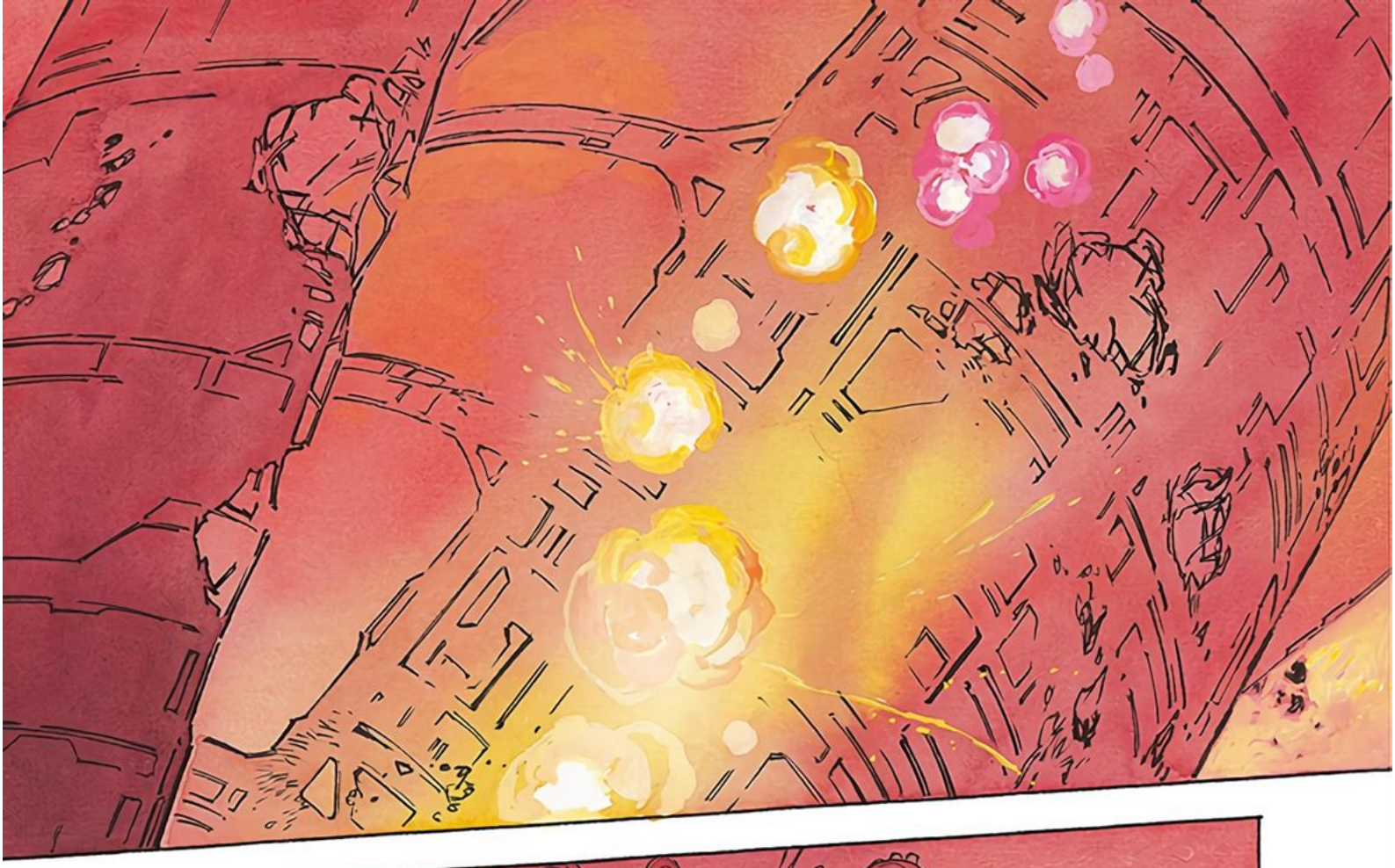
LET US IN PERFECT FORMATION ADVANCE!!

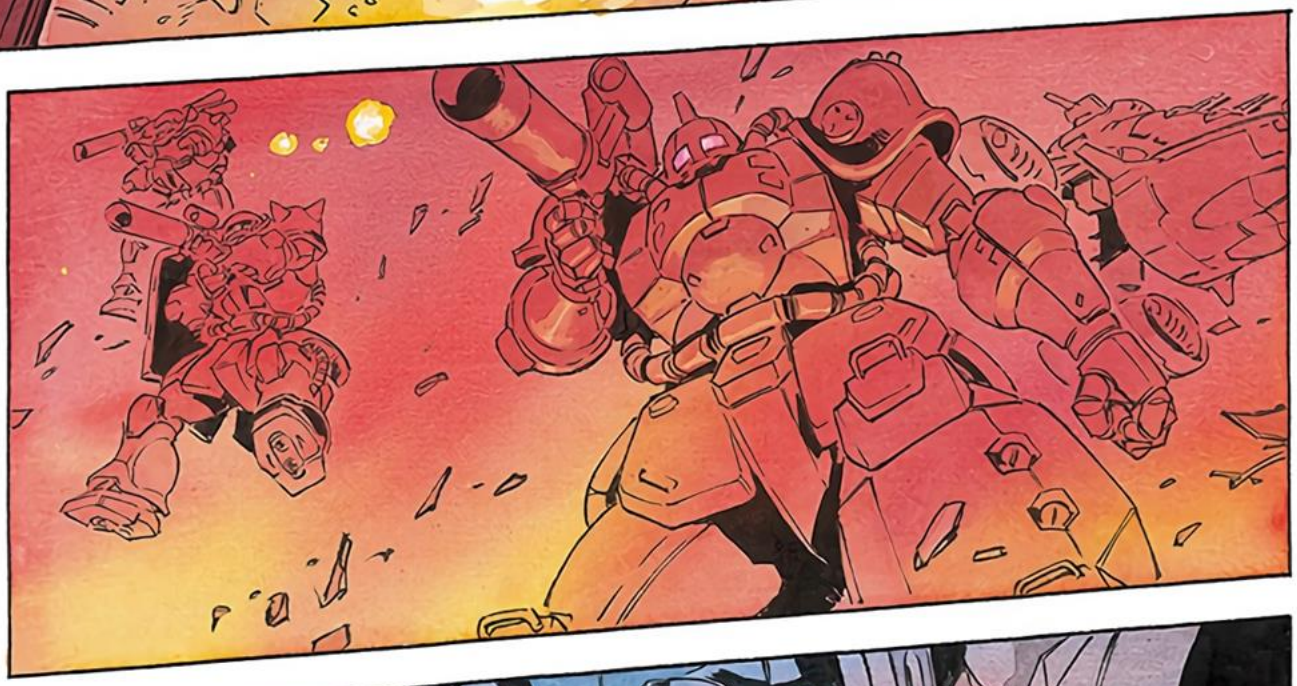
OUR FIGHT HAS ONLY JUST BEGUN!!



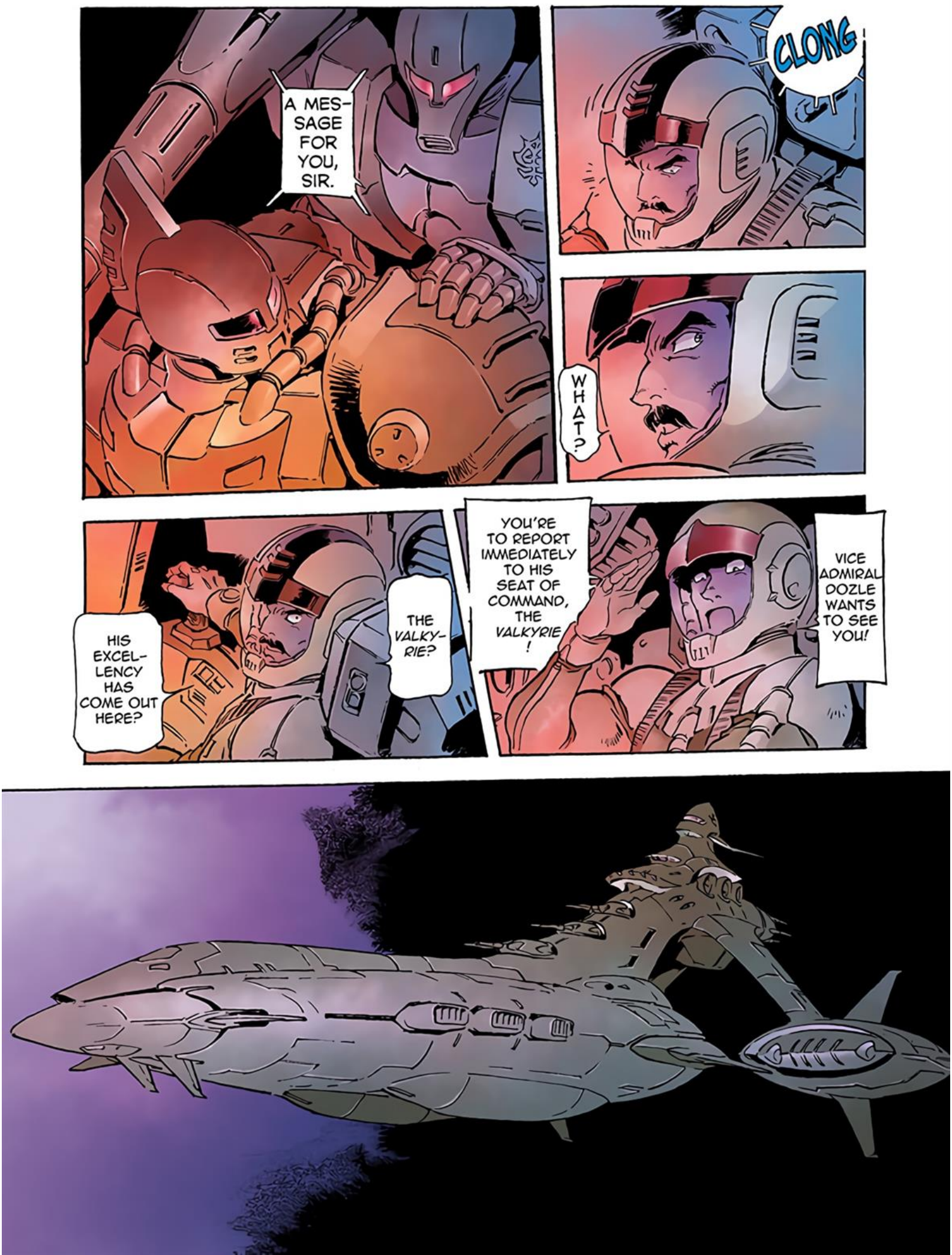


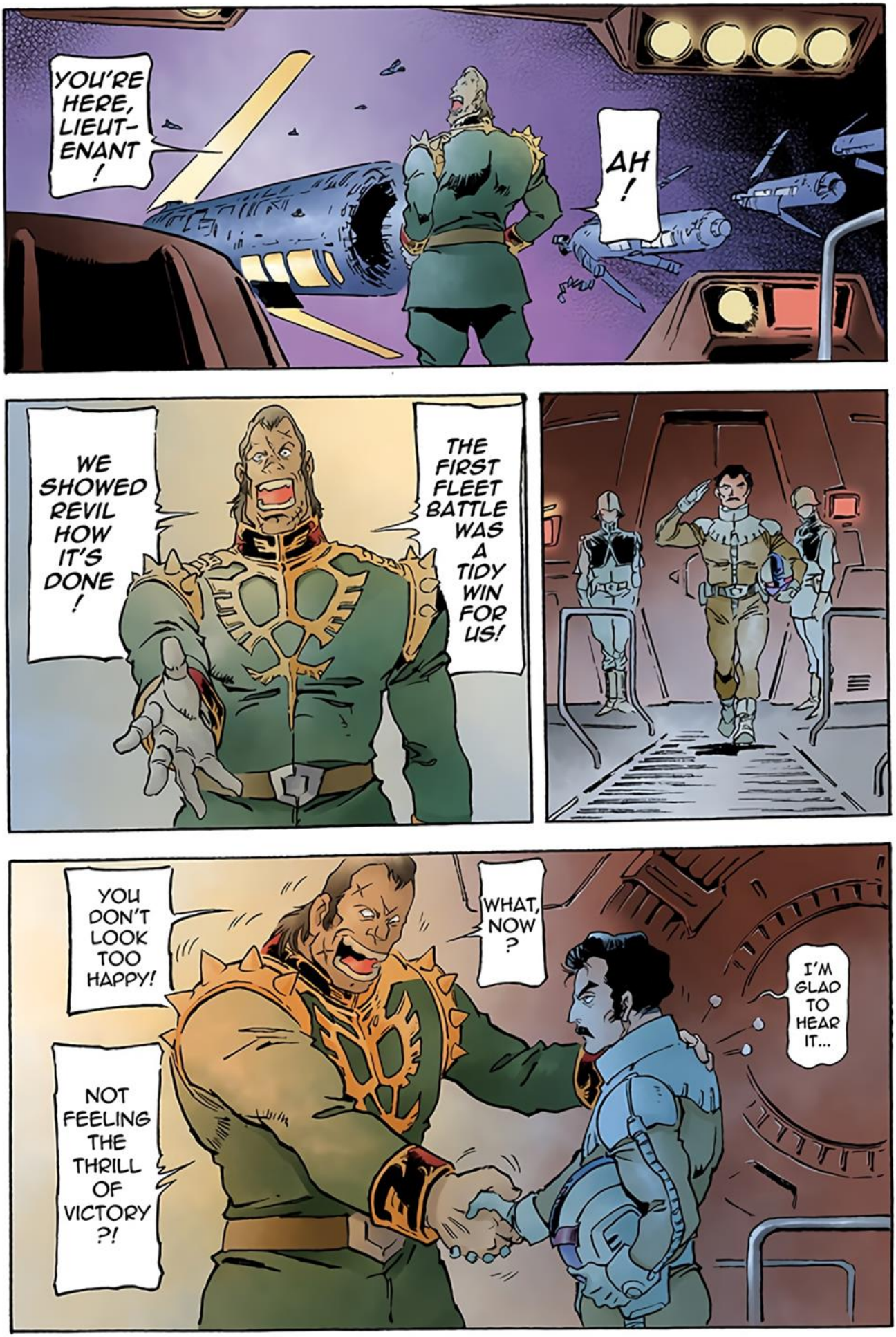

TOGETHER UNTIL THE DAY OF VICTORY!!
ZEON NEWS

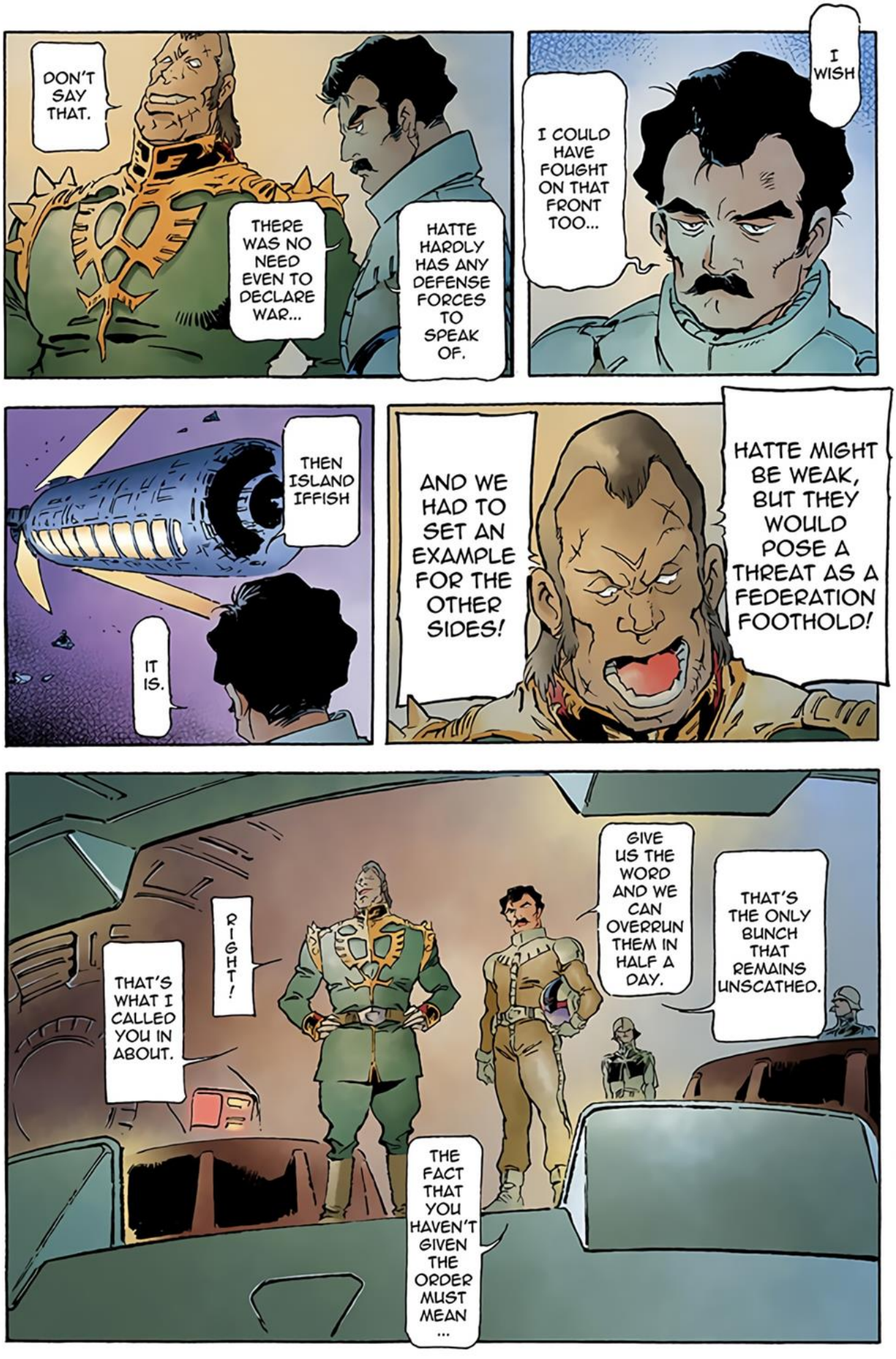


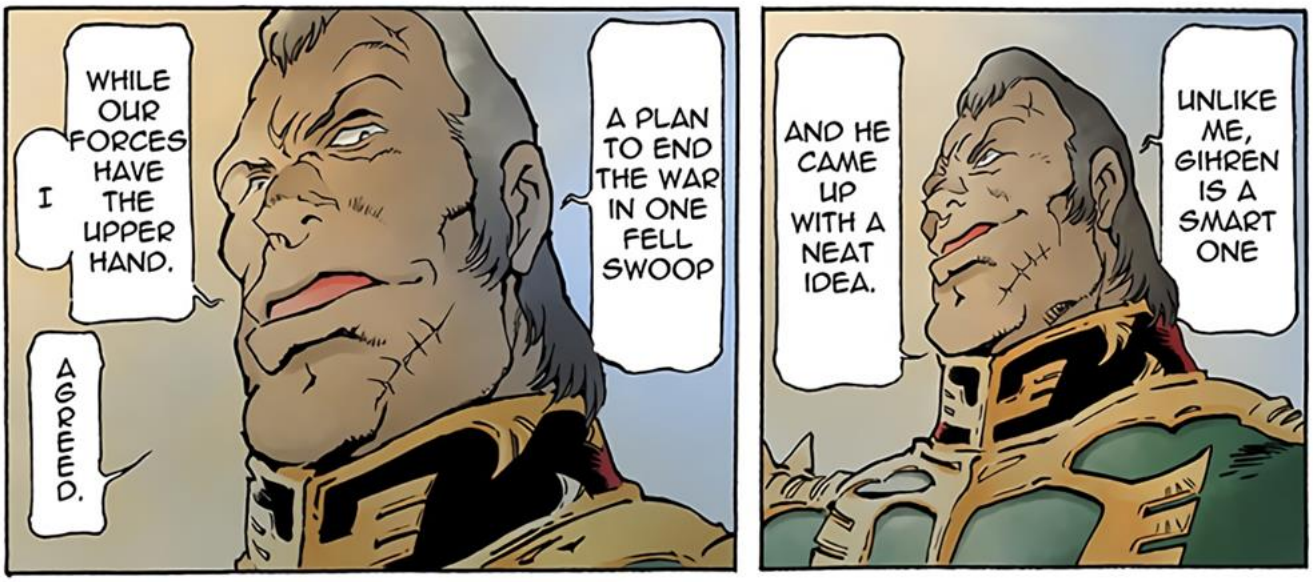


THIS
IS NO
WAR...
IT'S A
MASSACRE!

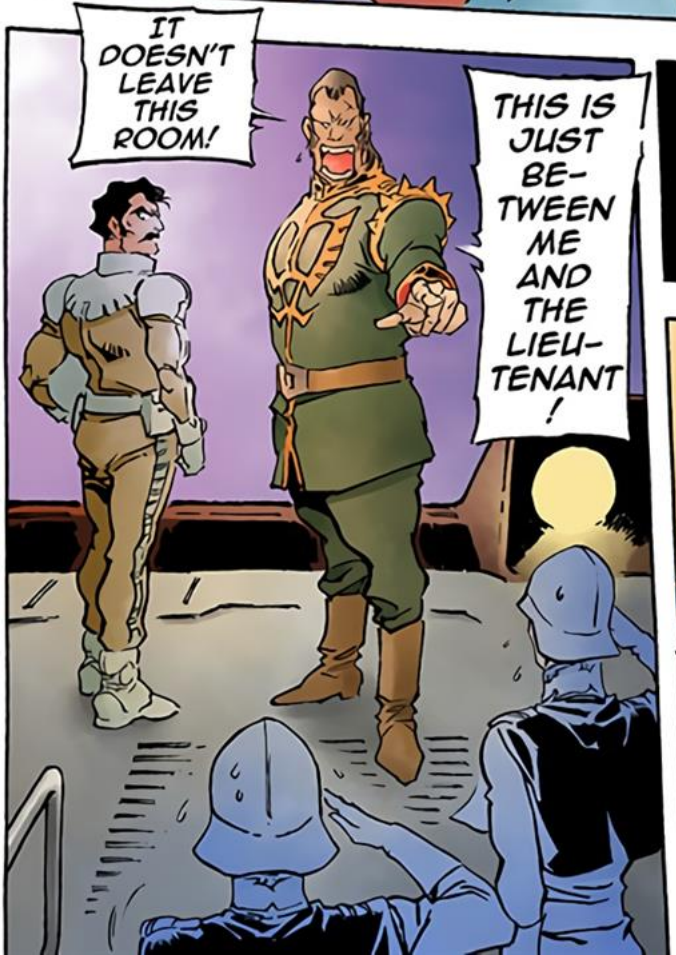

A MES-SAGE FOR YOU, SIR.
CLONG
WHAT?
VICE ADMIRAL DOZLE WANTS TO SEE YOU!
YOU'RE TO REPORT IMMEDIATELY TO HIS SEAT OF COMMAND, THE VALKYRIE!
THE VALKY-RIE?
HIS EXCEL-LENCY HAS COME OUT HERE?


YOU'RE HERE, LIEUT-ENANT!
AH!
WE SHOWED REVIL HOW IT'S DONE!
THE FIRST FLEET BATTLE WAS A TIDY WIN FOR US!
YOU DON'T LOOK TOO HAPPY!
NOT FEELING THE THRILL OF VICTORY?!
WHAT, NOW?
I'M GLAD TO HEAR IT...


DON'T SAY THAT.
THERE WAS NO NEED EVEN TO DECLARE WAR...
HATTE HARDLY HAS ANY DEFENSE FORCES TO SPEAK OF.
I WISH
I COULD HAVE FOUGHT ON THAT FRONT TOO...
THEN ISLAND IFFISH
IT IS.
AND WE HAD TO SET AN EXAMPLE FOR THE OTHER SIDES!
HATTE MIGHT BE WEAK, BUT THEY WOULD POSE A THREAT AS A FEDERATION FOOTHOLD!
THAT'S WHAT I CALLED YOU IN ABOUT.
RIGHT!
GIVE US THE WORD AND WE CAN OVERRUN THEM IN HALF A DAY.
THAT'S THE ONLY BUNCH THAT REMAINS UNSCATHED.
THE FACT THAT YOU HAVEN'T GIVEN THE ORDER MUST MEAN ...

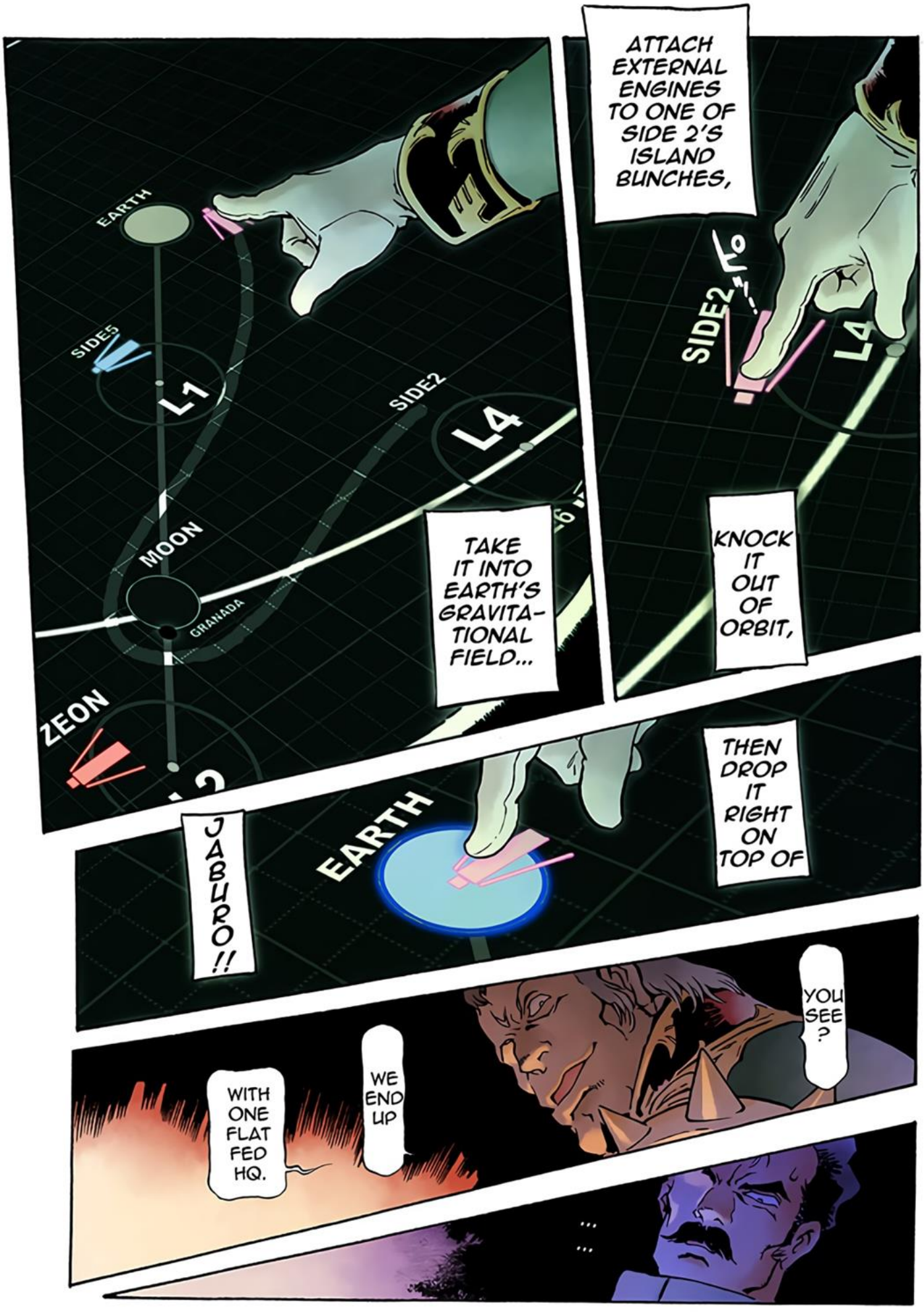

UNLIKE ME, GIHREN IS A SMART ONE
AND HE CAME UP WITH A NEAT IDEA.
A PLAN TO END THE WAR IN ONE FELL SWOOP
WHILE OUR FORCES HAVE THE UPPER HAND.
I
AGREED.

KILL THE RESI-DENTS USING
POI-SON GAS ?!!


IT DOESN'T LEAVE THIS ROOM!
THIS IS JUST BE-TWEEN ME AND THE LIEU-TENANT !

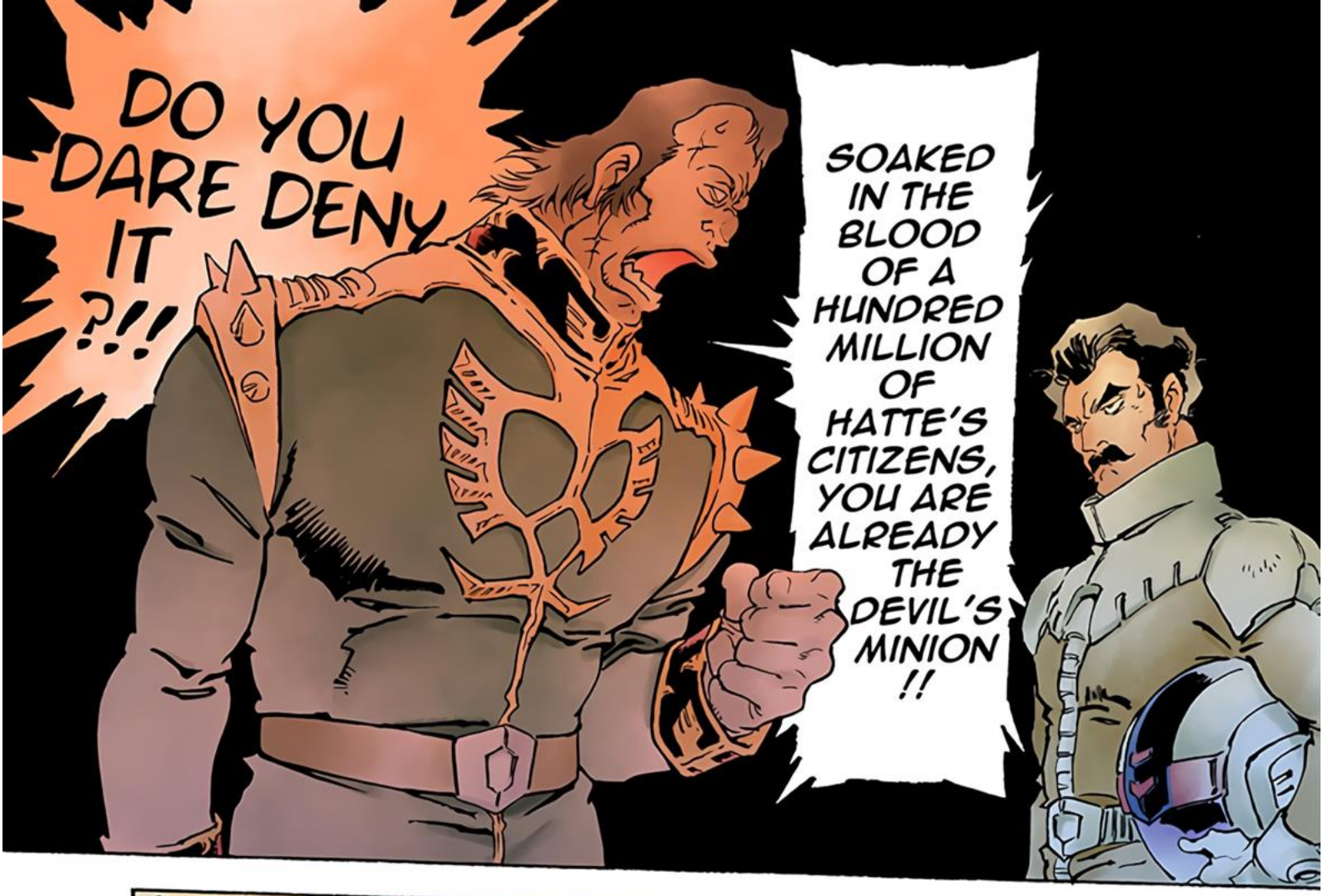
ALL OF YOU, SCRAM!

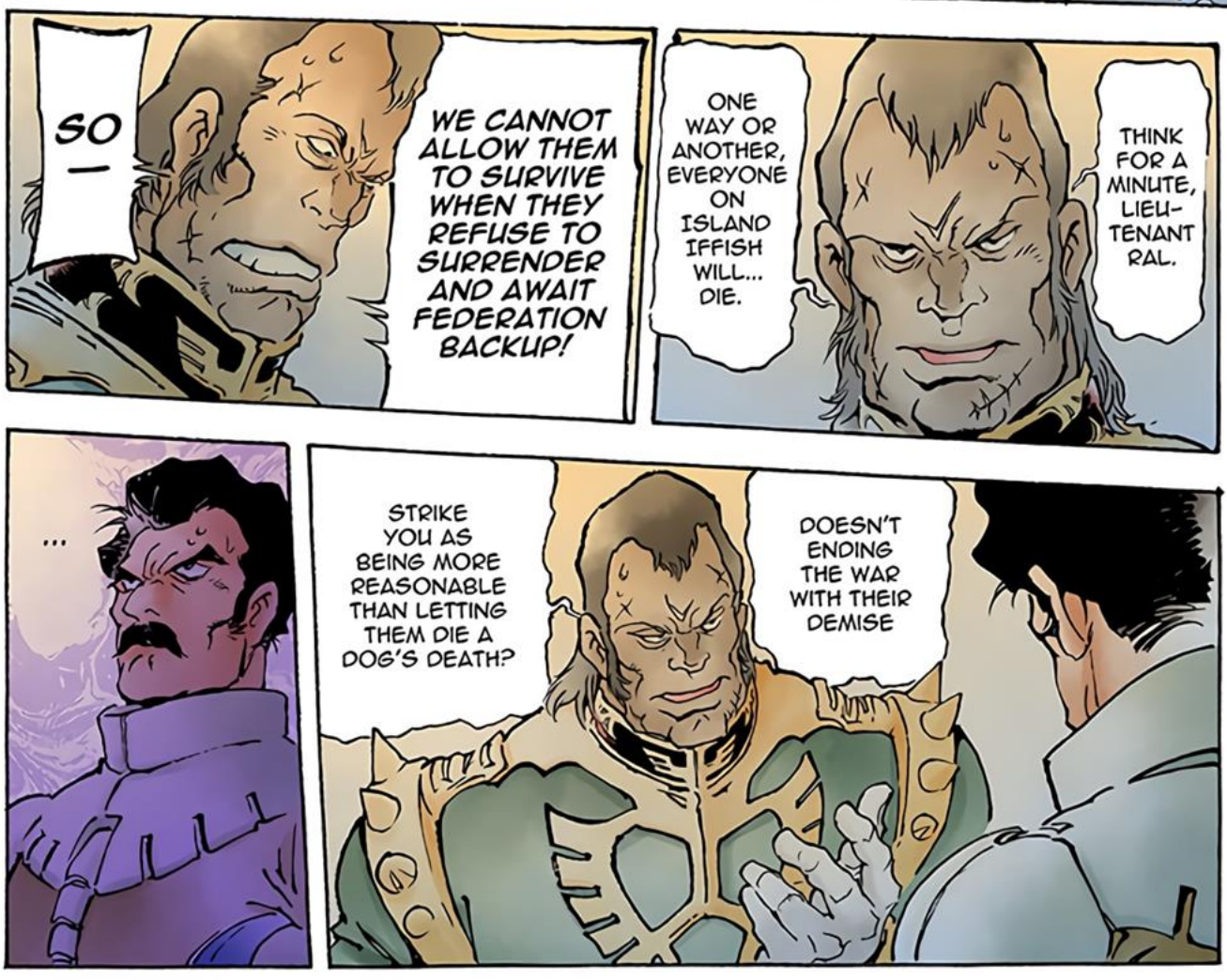
MAKE IT SOUND LIKE WE'RE DOING SOMETHING WRONG.
DON'T SAY "KILL."
YOU ...
WE'VE BEEN FIGHTING HATTE, WHICH BECAME AN ENEMY STATE,
AND WE'RE ABOUT TO WIN!
WE DE-CLARED WAR, FAIR AND SQUARE.
LIS-TEN.
THIS IS WAR, GET IT?!
THESE ARE THE SUPREME COM-MANDER'S PLANS!!
TAKE A LOOK AT THIS!
STILL!
WAIT—
I'M NOT DONE YET!


EARTH
SIDE5
L1
SIDE2
L4
MOON
GRANADA
ZEON
TAKE IT INTO EARTH'S GRAVITA-TIONAL FIELD...
ATTACH EXTERNAL ENGINES TO ONE OF SIDE 2'S ISLAND BUNCHES,
SIDE2
L4
KNOCK IT OUT OF ORBIT,
THEN DROP IT RIGHT ON TOP OF
EARTH
JABURO!!
YOU SEE?
WE END UP
WITH ONE FLAT FED HQ.

JABURO'S PROTECTED BY 1000 METERS OF BEDROCK. IT COULD EVEN WITHSTAND A NUCLEAR ATTACK, BUT NOT *THIS*.
KAPUT, IN ONE BLOW!
THE FEDERATION FORCES' CENTRAL COMMAND WILL DIE INSTANTLY,
ZZ
ZT
AND THE WAR'S
OVER!
I REFUSE!
AND I'M
TO DO THIS?
YOU GOT IT!
WITH THE MOBILE SUIT TEAM UNDER YOUR COMMAND.

A WARRIOR LIKE YOU SHOULD BE ABOVE EVEN SPEAKING OF IT!
BUT
LORD GIHREN MIGHT INDEED THINK UP A THING LIKE THIS!
IT'D BE THE DOING OF THE DEVIL !!
...
I WILL NOT FALL THAT LOW.
I MAY HAVE FALLEN, BUT I STILL BEAR THE NAME OF HOUSE RAL.
...
YOU THINK YOU'RE NO DEVIL?!
LET ME ASK YOU—
YOU SAY ?
THE DEVIL ...


DO YOU DARE DENY IT ?!!
SOAKED IN THE BLOOD OF A HUNDRED MILLION OF HATTE'S CITIZENS, YOU ARE ALREADY THE DEVIL'S MINION !!


SO —
WE CANNOT ALLOW THEM TO SURVIVE WHEN THEY REFUSE TO SURRENDER AND AWAIT FEDERATION BACKUP!
ONE WAY OR ANOTHER, EVERYONE ON ISLAND IFFISH WILL... DIE.
THINK FOR A MINUTE, LIEUTENANT RAL.
...
STRIKE YOU AS BEING MORE REASONABLE THAN LETTING THEM DIE A DOG'S DEATH?
DOESN'T ENDING THE WAR WITH THEIR DEMISE

WHY THE HELL NOT ?!
SMASH!

I DO NOT !!

IS MAD-NESS.
I SAY THIS WAR
YOUR EXCEL-LENCY ...

CALLED FOR SUCH A WAR!
I DON'T BELIEVE ZEON ZUM DEIKUN

LEAVE ME OUT OF IT.

GET THE HELL OUT OF MY WAY !!
HEY, STOP !
ZZT
ZZT
LT. RAL !
ME
プシュウ…
YOU'LL REGRET THIS! DON'T YOU EVER COME CRYING
TO
GET BACK HERE!

THERE ARE PLENTY OF GUNS, WAIT YOUR TURN !!
LINE UP !!
DON'T PUSH !

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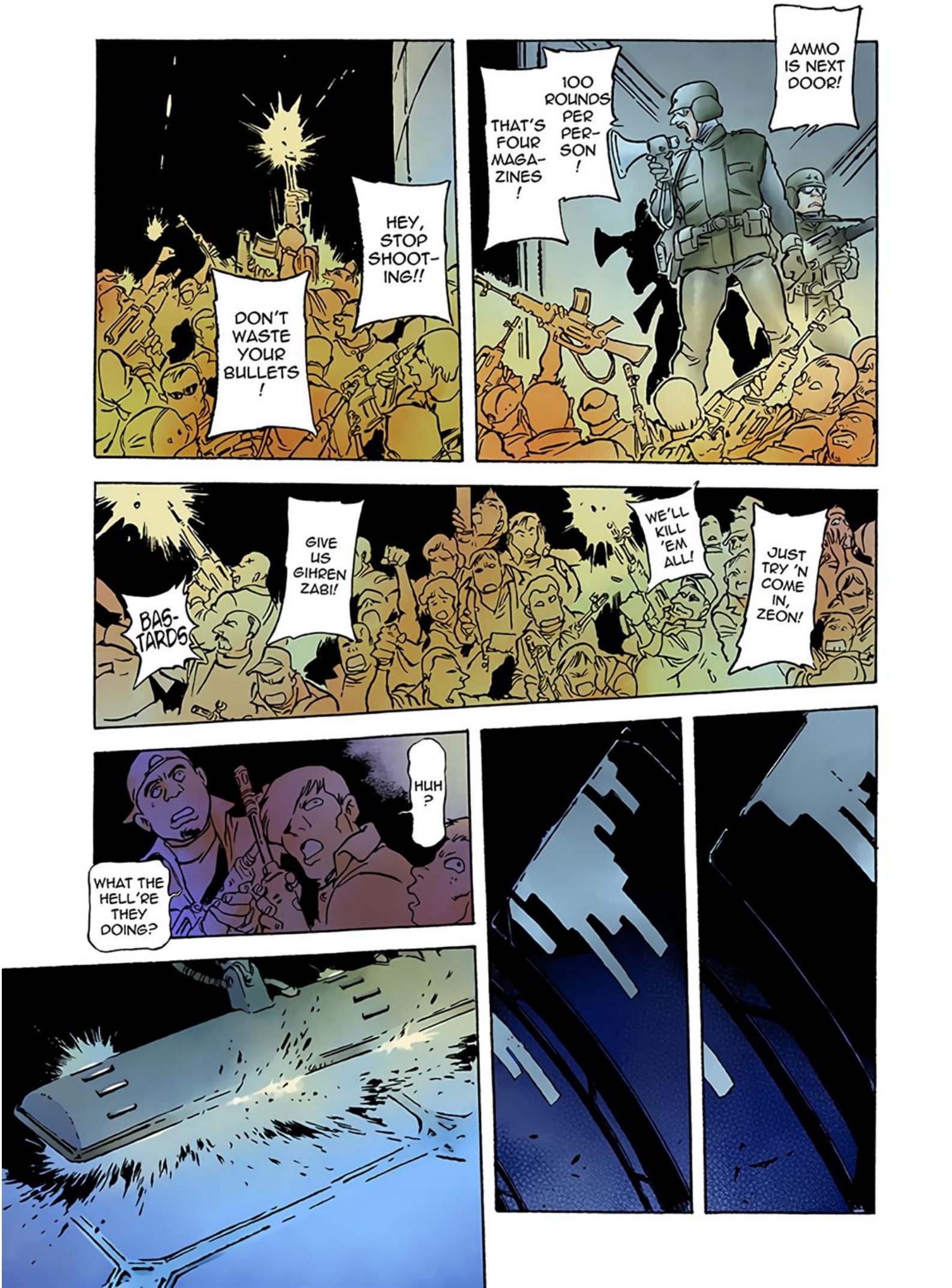
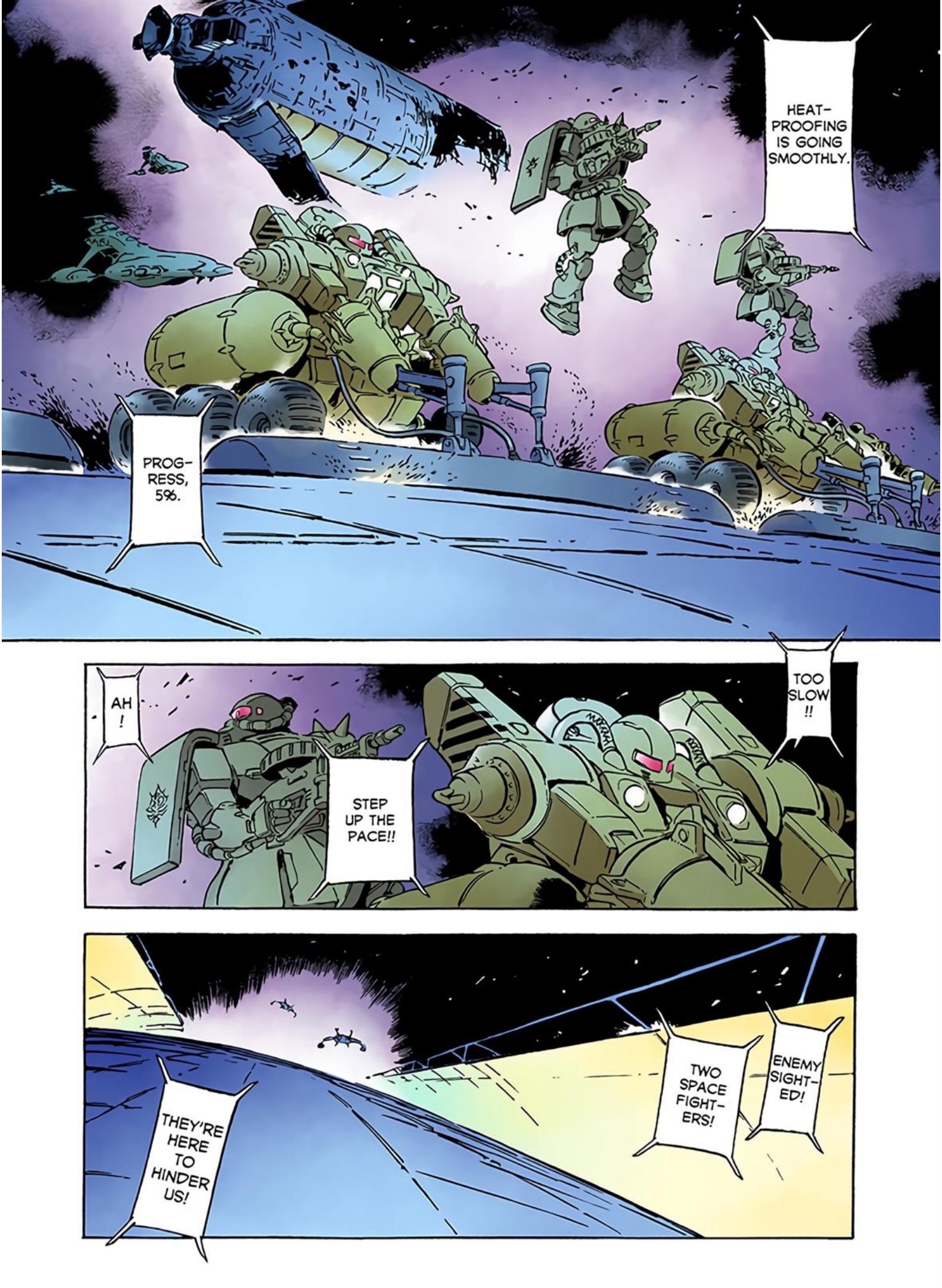
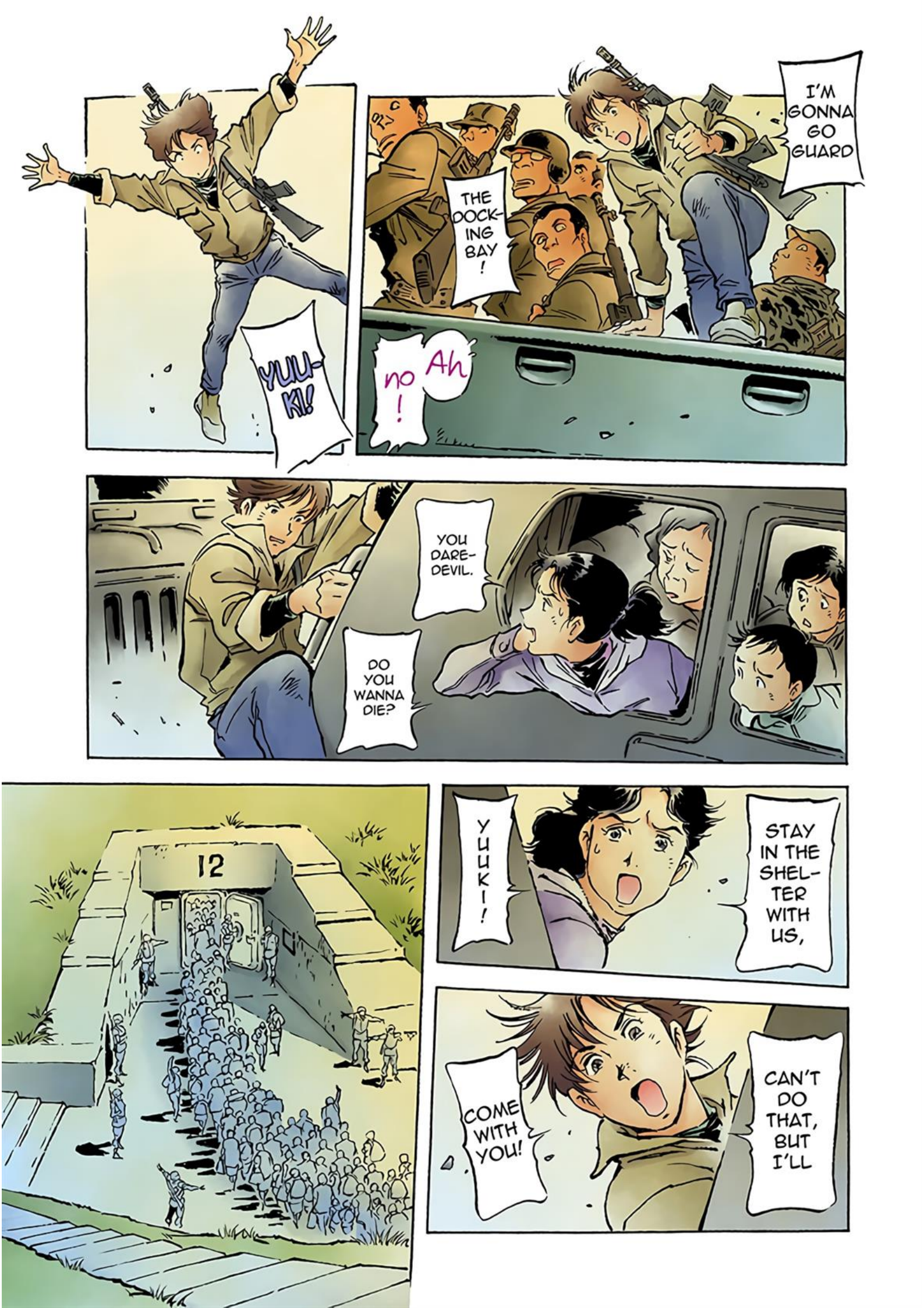

HEY, STOP SHOOTING!!
DON'T WASTE YOUR BULLETS!
THAT'S FOUR MAGAZINES!
100 ROUNDS PER PERSON!
AMMO IS NEXT DOOR!
BASTARDS
GIVE US GIHREN ZABI!
WE'LL KILL 'EM ALL!
JUST TRY 'N COME IN, ZEON!
HUH?
WHAT THE HELL'RE THEY DOING?


HEAT-PROOFING IS GOING SMOOTHLY.
PROG-RESS, 5%.
TOO SLOW !!
AH !
STEP UP THE PACE!!
ENEMY SIGHT-ED!
TWO SPACE FIGHT-ERS!
THEY'RE HERE TO HINDER US!

HOTEL
Hotel
Yuu-ki!
Fang Li!
WHAT ABOUT YOU?!
WE'RE EVAC-UATING TO A SHEL-TER!
WHERE ARE YOU GOING ?


YUU-KI!
THE DOCK-ING BAY!
I'M GONNA GO GUARD
Ah no!
YOU DARE-DEVIL.
DO YOU WANNA DIE?
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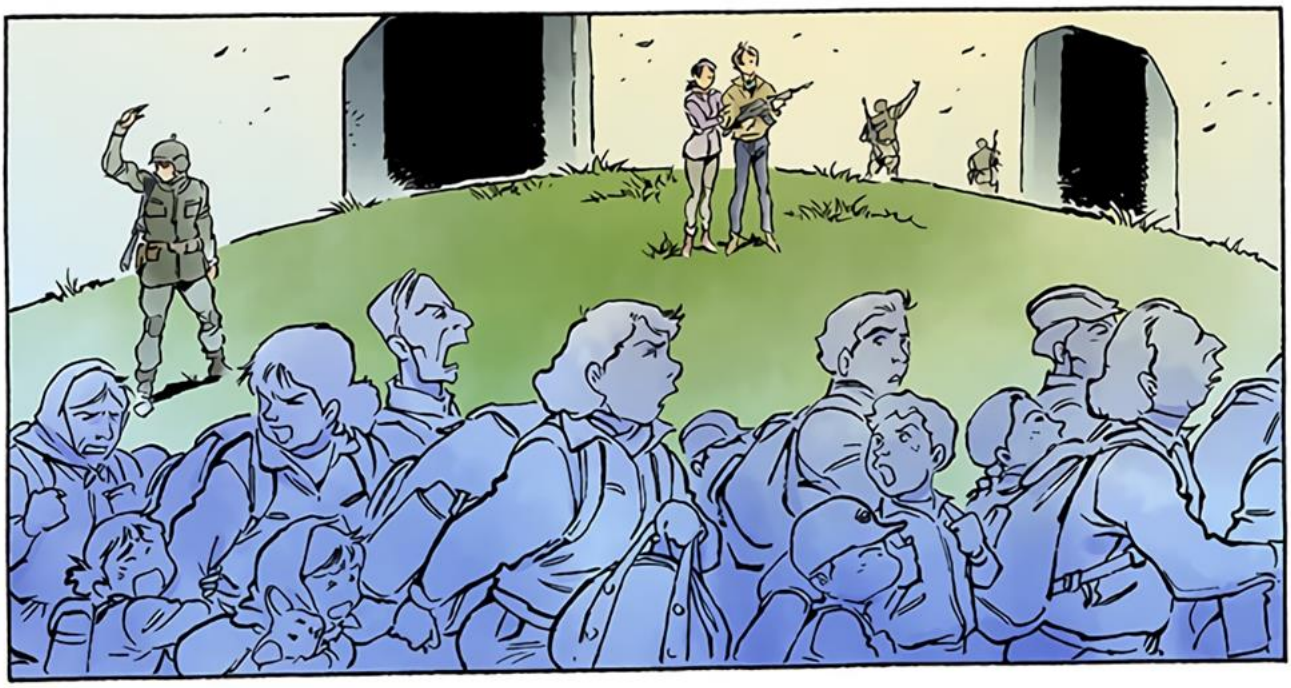
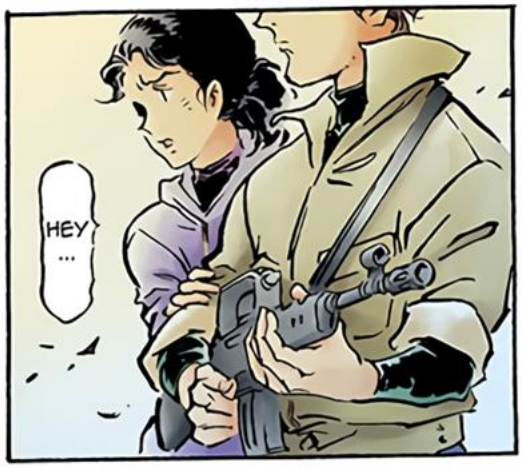
YUUKI!
STAY IN THE SHEL-TER WITH US,
COME WITH YOU!
CAN'T DO THAT, BUT I'LL



PROBABLY.

ALL THE OTHER BUNCHES?
DID THEY GET

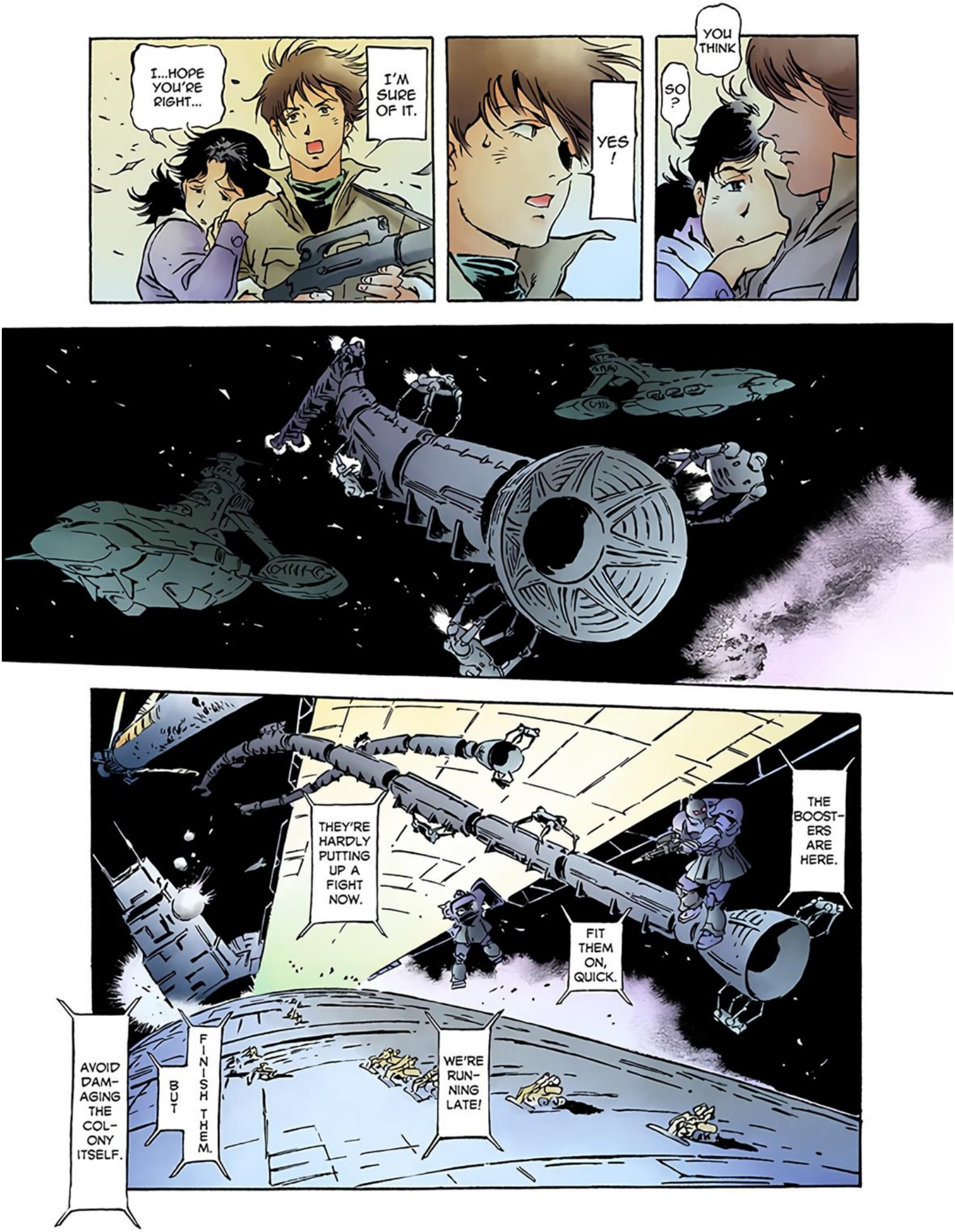

HEY...

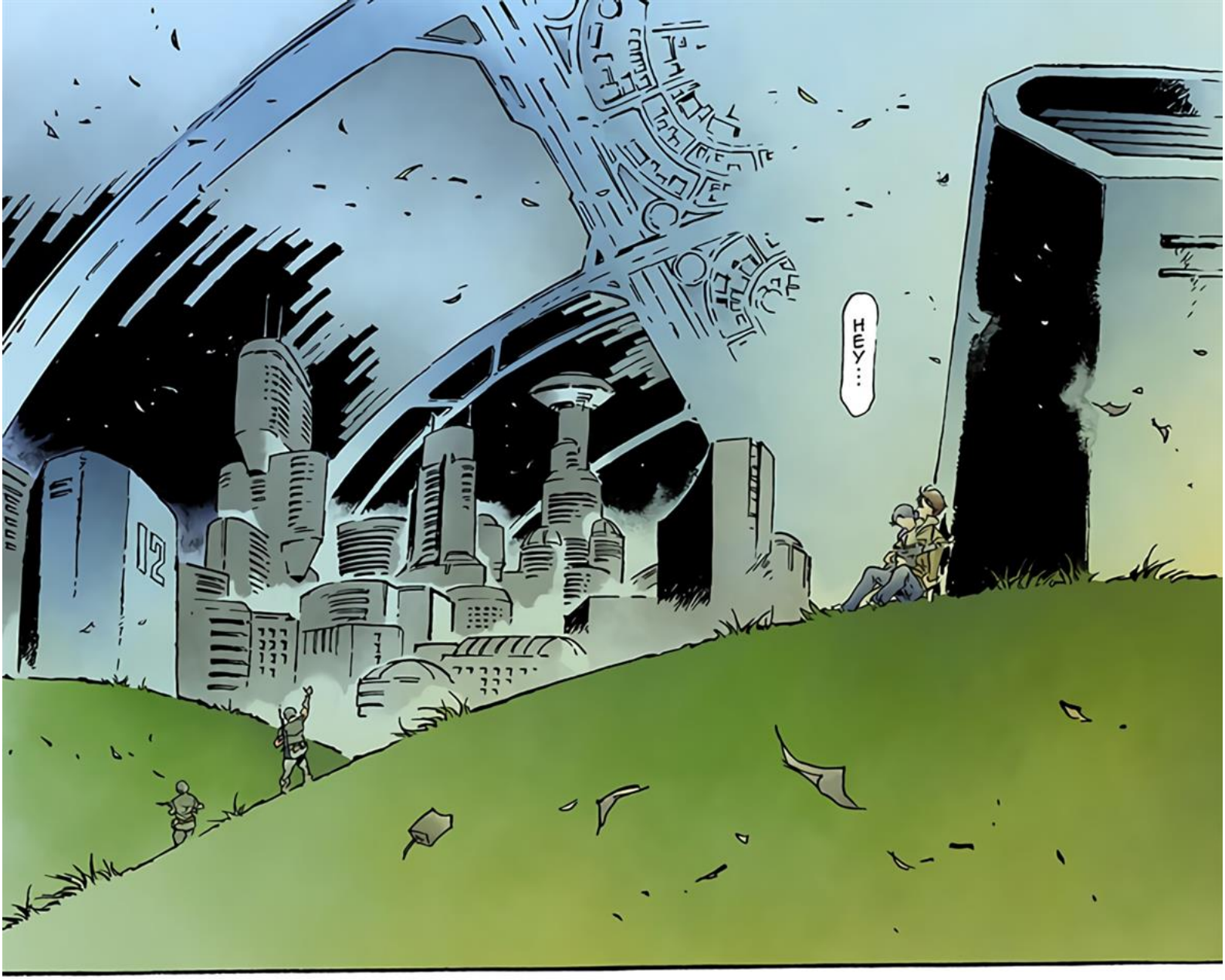
OKAY HOW?

WE'LL BE OKAY HERE.
BUT

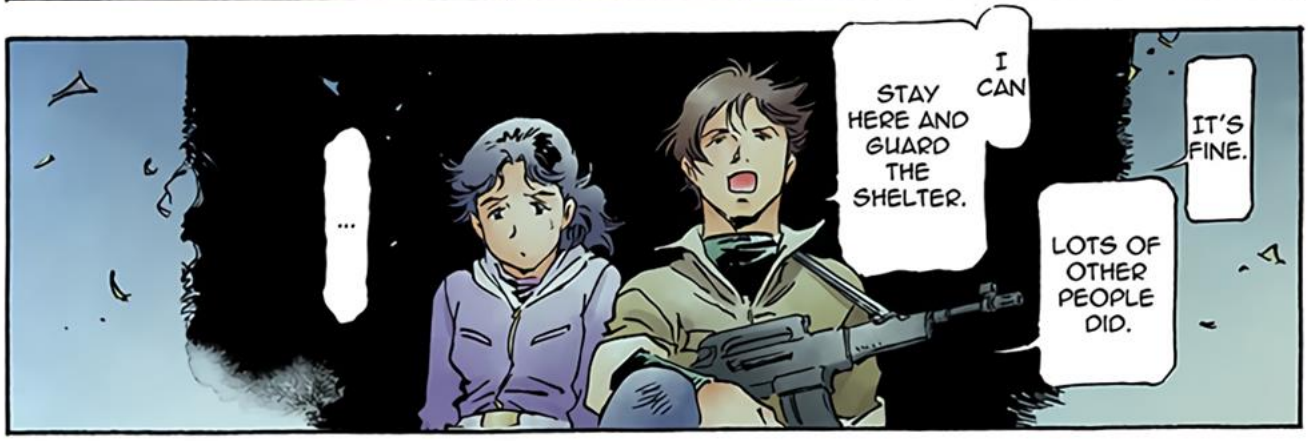
OH!

THE FEDERATION FORCES WILL COME FOR US.
PLUS, THERE ARE LOTS OF SHEL-TERS.
THIS IS THE CAPITAL BUNCH.


I...HOPE YOU'RE RIGHT...
I'M SURE OF IT.
YES!
YOU THINK SO?
THEY'RE HARDLY PUTTING UP A FIGHT NOW.
THE BOOST-ERS ARE HERE.
FIT THEM ON, QUICK.
WE'RE RUN-NING LATE!
BUT FINISH THEM.
AVOID DAM-AGING THE COL-ONY ITSELF.


HEY…

TO THE DOCK-ING BAY?
DON'T YOU HAVE TO GO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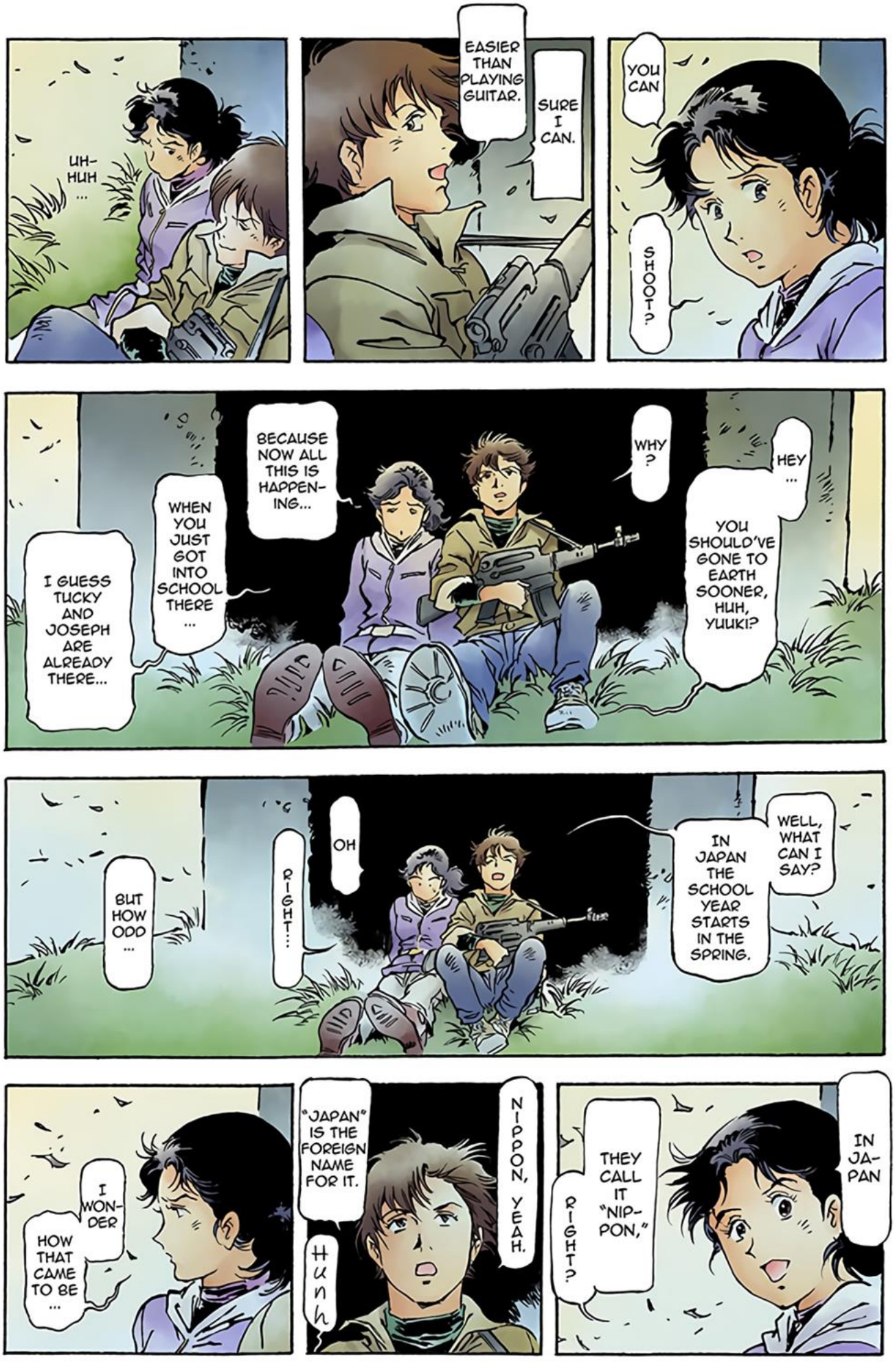
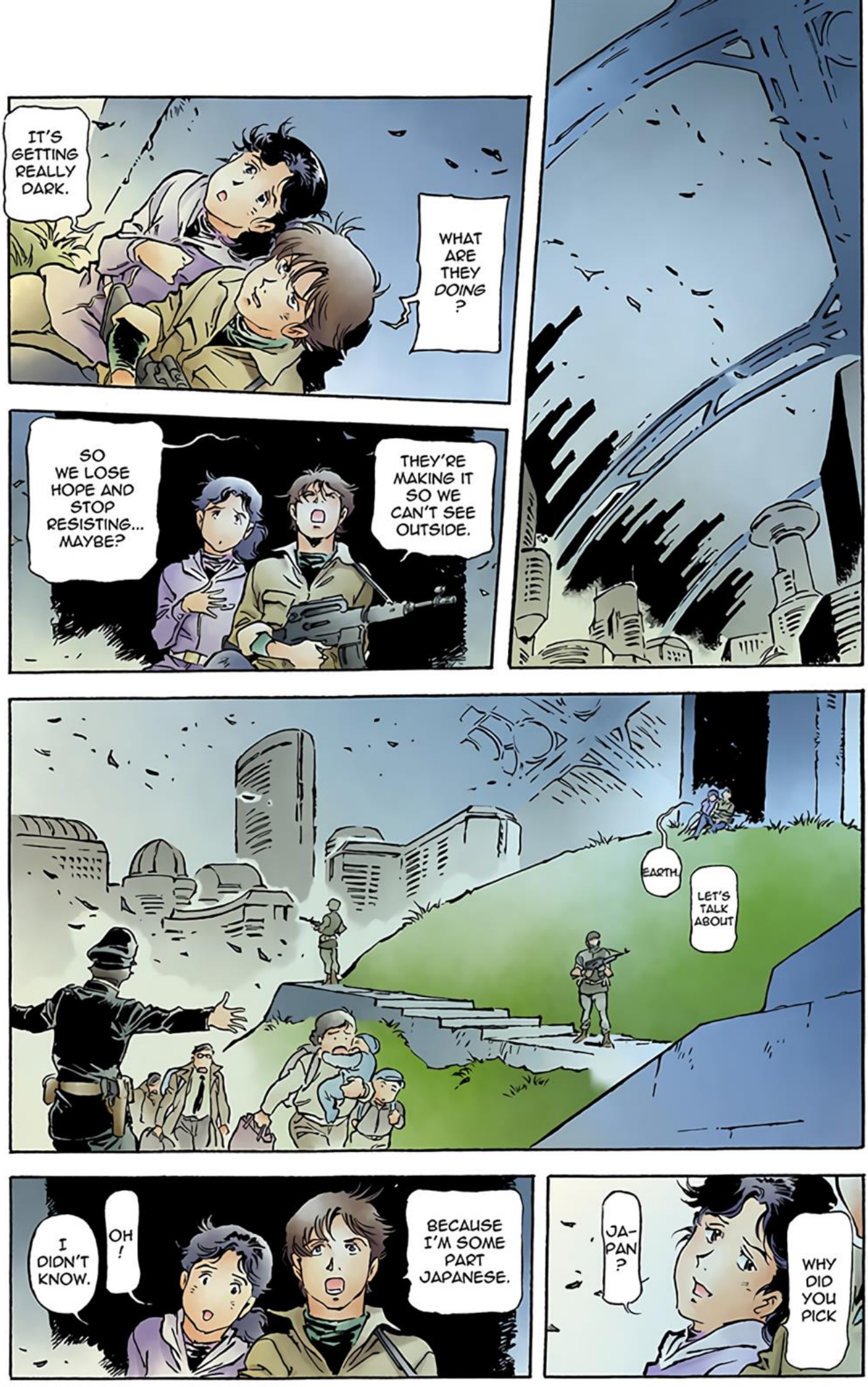
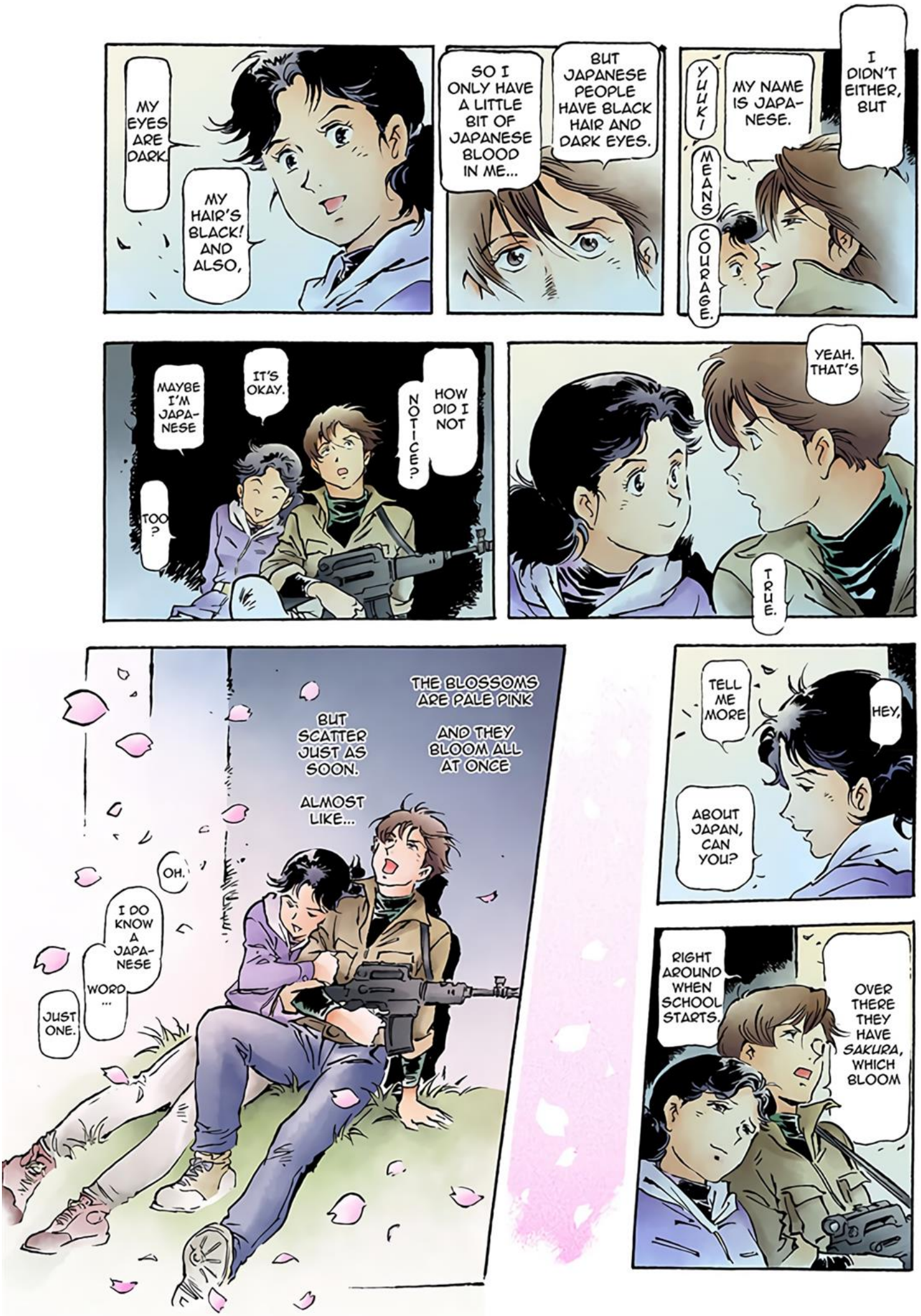
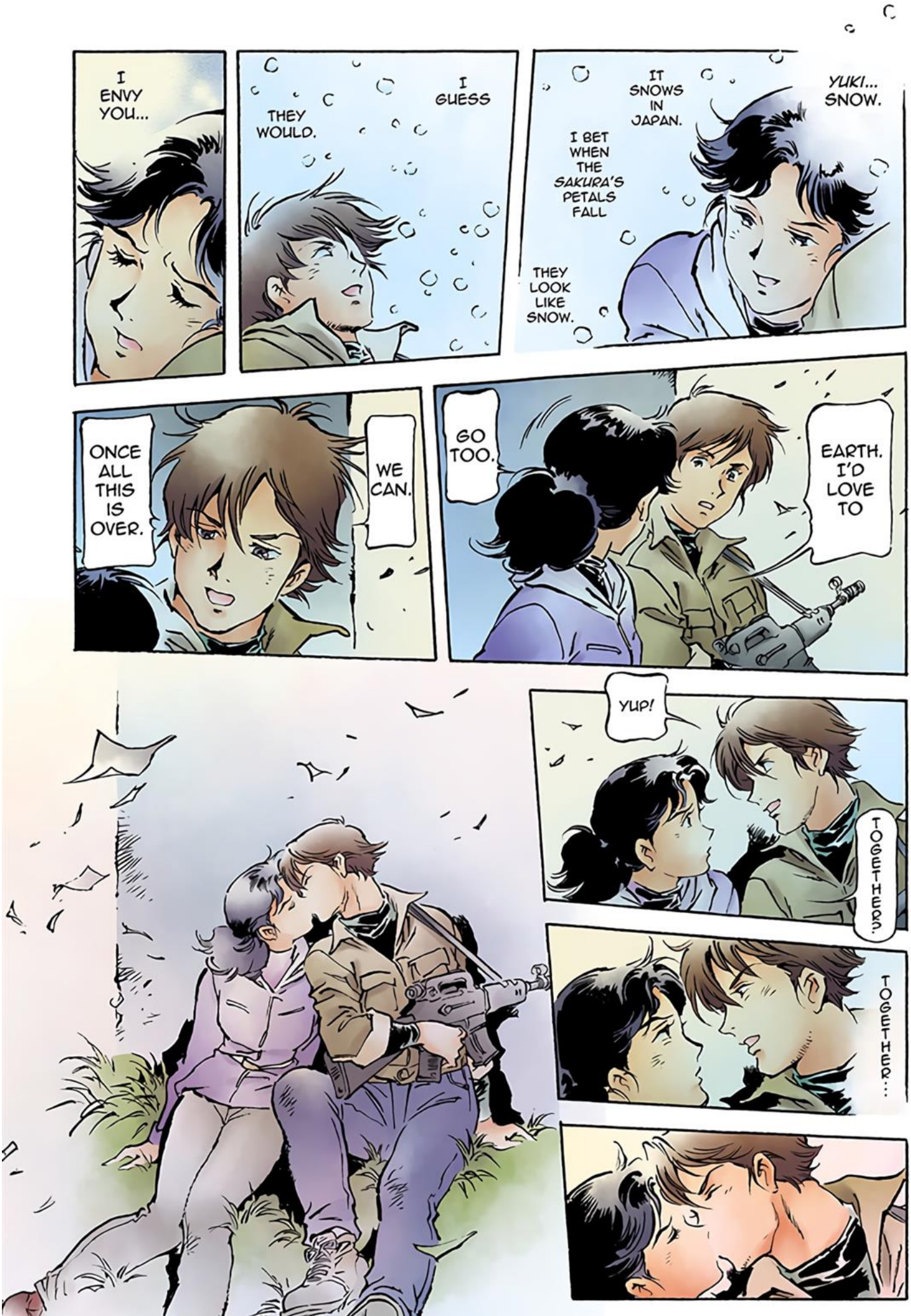
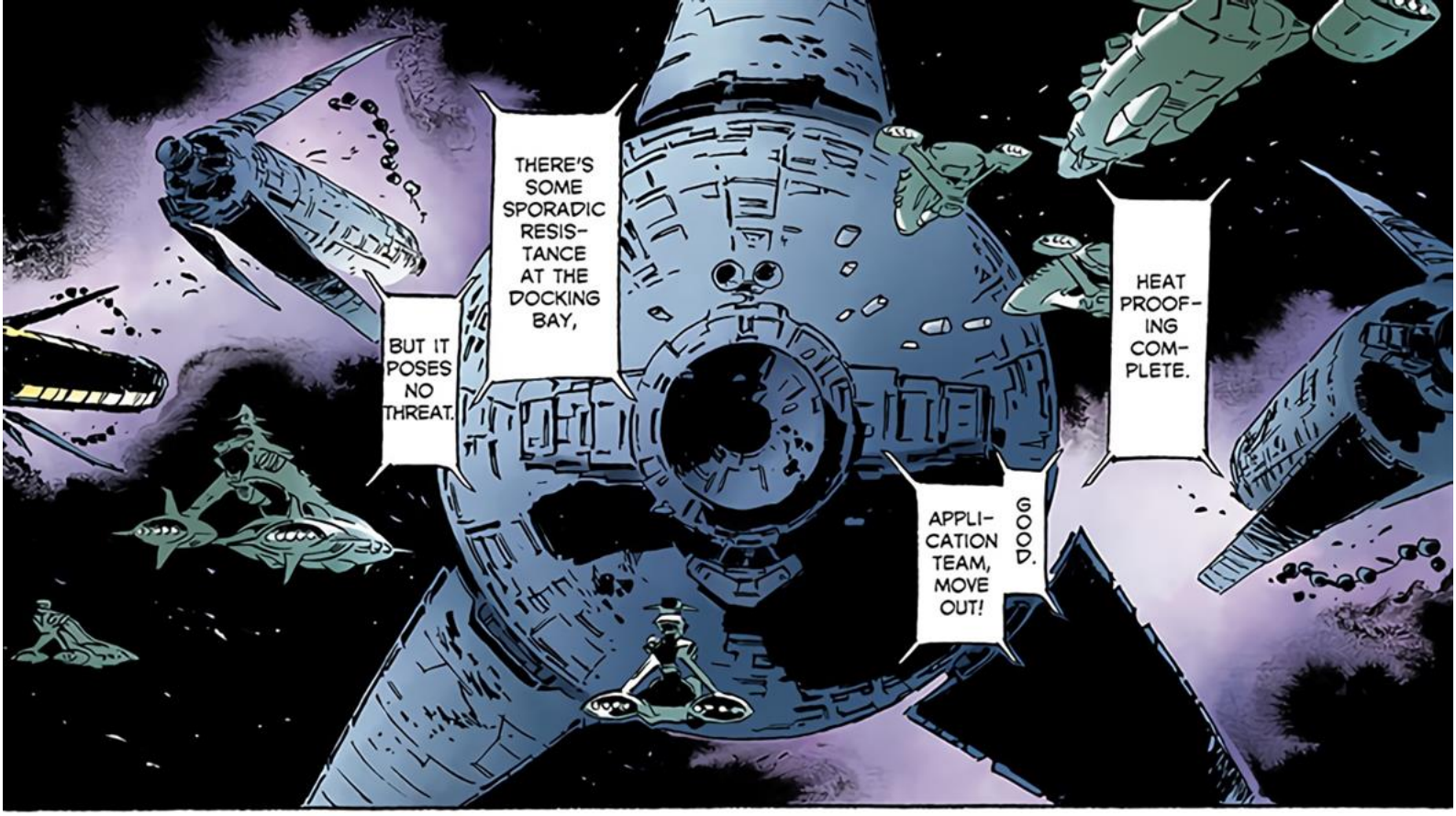
I CAN STAY HERE AND GUARD THE SHELTER.
IT'S FINE.
LOTS OF OTHER PEOPLE DID.


UH-HUH ...
EASIER THAN PLAYING GUITAR.
SURE I CAN.
YOU CAN SHOOT?
HEY ...
YOU SHOULD'VE GONE TO EARTH SOONER, HUH, YUUKI?
WHY?
BECAUSE NOW ALL THIS IS HAPPEN-ING...
WHEN YOU JUST GOT INTO SCHOOL THERE ...
I GUESS TUCKY AND JOSEPH ARE ALREADY THERE...
WELL, WHAT CAN I SAY?
IN JAPAN THE SCHOOL YEAR STARTS IN THE SPRING.
OH RIGHT...
BUT HOW ODD ...
IN JA-PAN
THEY CALL IT "NIP-PON," RIGHT?
NIPPON, YEAH.
"JAPAN" IS THE FOREIGN NAME FOR IT.
Hunh
I WON-DER HOW THAT CAME TO BE ...

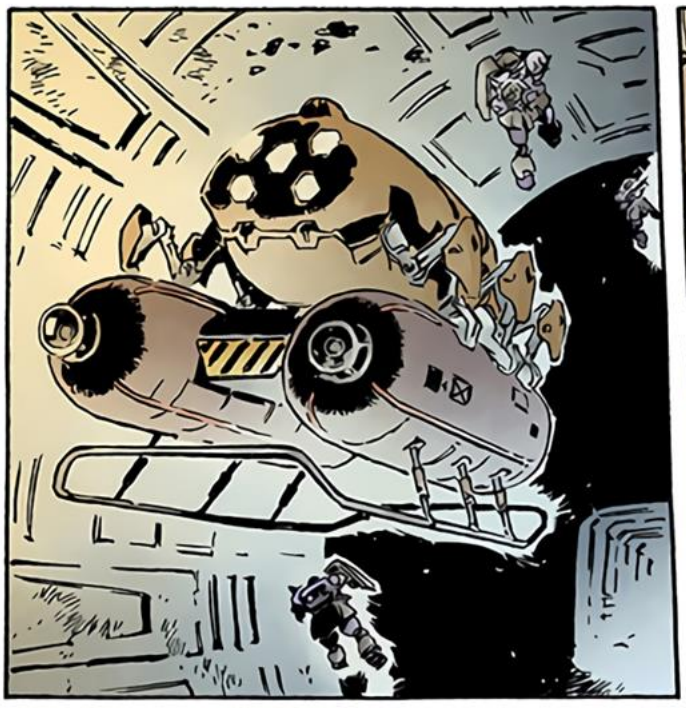

IT'S GETTING REALLY DARK.
WHAT ARE THEY DOING?
THEY'RE MAKING IT SO WE CAN'T SEE OUTSIDE.
SO WE LOSE HOPE AND STOP RESISTING... MAYBE?
EARTH.
LET'S TALK ABOUT
WHY DID YOU PICK
JA-PAN?
BECAUSE I'M SOME PART JAPANESE.
OH!
I DIDN'T KNOW.


I DIDN'T EITHER, BUT
MY NAME IS JAPA-NESE.
YUUKI MEANS COURAGE.
BUT JAPANESE PEOPLE HAVE BLACK HAIR AND DARK EYES.
SO I ONLY HAVE A LITTLE BIT OF JAPANESE BLOOD IN ME...
MY EYES ARE DARK.
MY HAIR'S BLACK! AND ALSO,
YEAH. THAT'S TRUE.
HOW DID I NOT NOTICE?
IT'S OKAY.
MAYBE I'M JAPA-NESE TOO?
HEY,
TELL ME MORE
ABOUT JAPAN, CAN YOU?
THE BLOSSOMS ARE PALE PINK
AND THEY BLOOM ALL AT ONCE
BUT SCATTER JUST AS SOON.
ALMOST LIKE...
OH.
I DO KNOW A JAPA-NESE WORD ...
JUST ONE.
OVER THERE THEY HAVE SAKURA, WHICH BLOOM
RIGHT AROUND WHEN SCHOOL STARTS.


I ENVY YOU...
I GUESS THEY WOULD.
YUKI... SNOW.
IT SNOWS IN JAPAN.
I BET WHEN THE SAKURA'S PETALS FALL THEY LOOK LIKE SNOW.
ONCE ALL THIS IS OVER.
WE CAN.
GO TOO.
EARTH. I'D LOVE TO
YUP!
TOGETHER?
TOGETHER...


THERE'S SOME SPORADIC RESIS-TANCE AT THE DOCKING BAY,
BUT IT POSES NO THREAT.
HEAT PROOF-ING COM-PLETE.
GOOD.
APPLI-CATION TEAM, MOVE OUT!

WE'VE FINISHED THREE SO FAR!
BOOSTER INSTALLATION GOING WELL!



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DANGER
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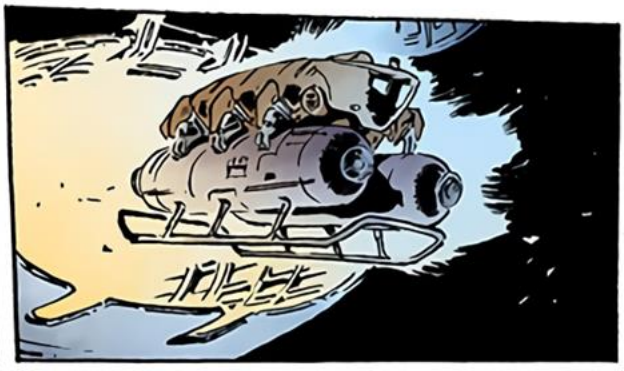
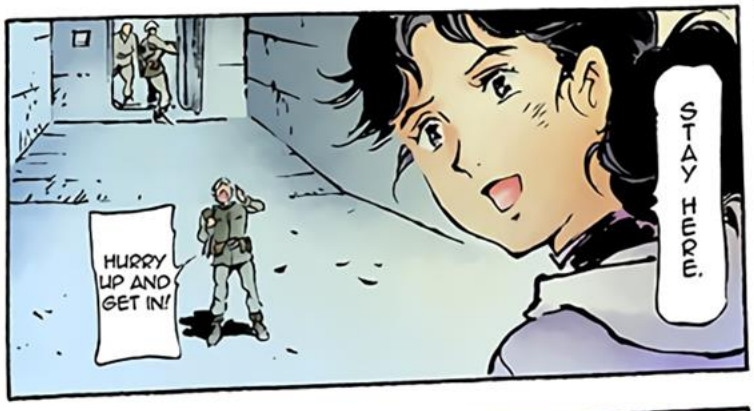


WE'RE GOING TO SHUT THE DOOR.
12
SEALING SHELTER #12!


STAY HERE.
HURRY UP AND GET IN!

DON'T GO TO THE DOCKING BAY!

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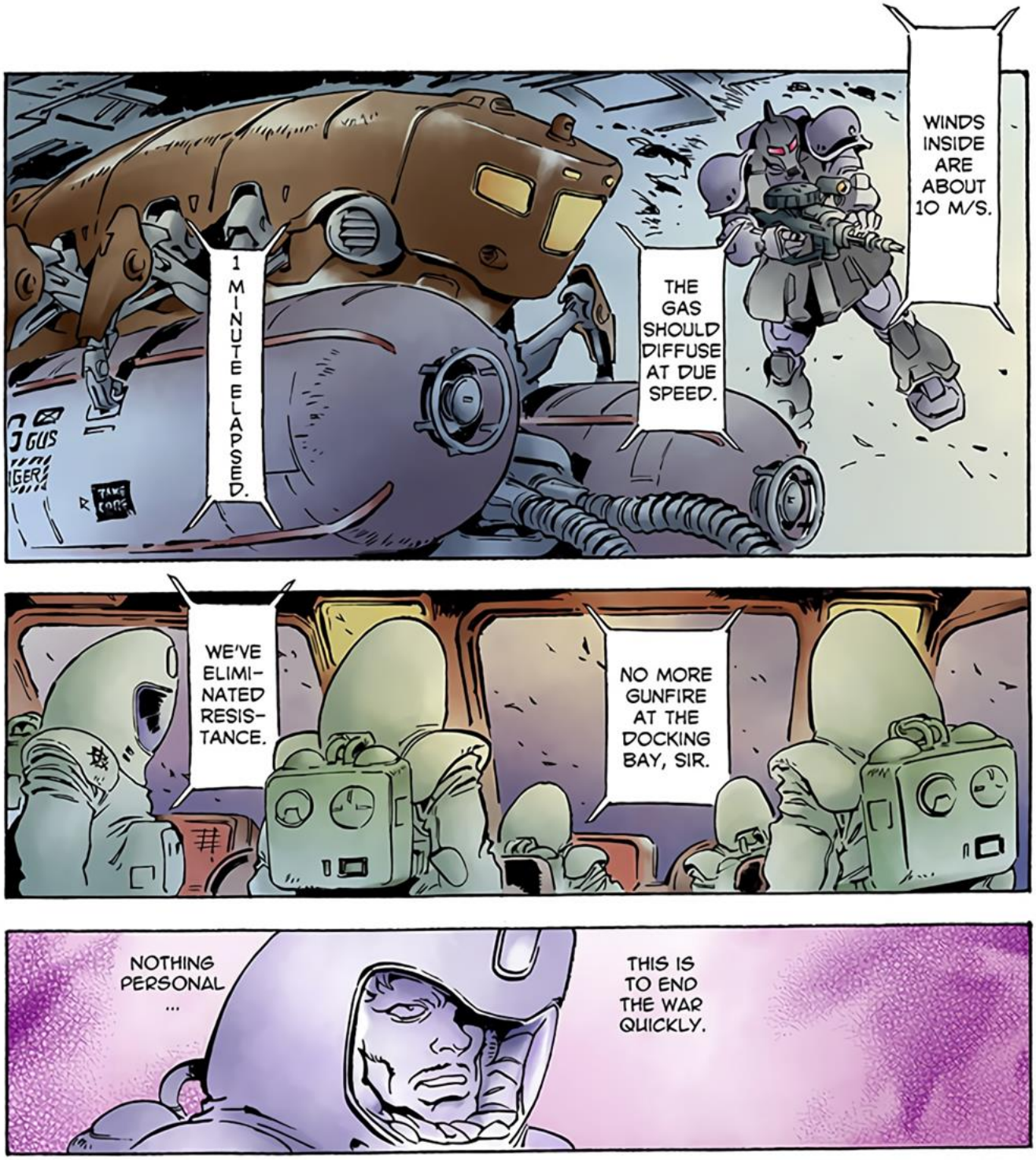
GG GAS.
PUMPING IN


WINDS INSIDE ARE ABOUT 10 M/S.
THE GAS SHOULD DIFFUSE AT DUE SPEED.
1 MINUTE ELAPSED.
NO MORE GUNFIRE AT THE DOCKING BAY, SIR.
WE'VE ELIMI-NATED RESIS-TANCE.
THIS IS TO END THE WAR QUICKLY.
NOTHING PERSONAL ...

HAPPY ROAD
避難方向
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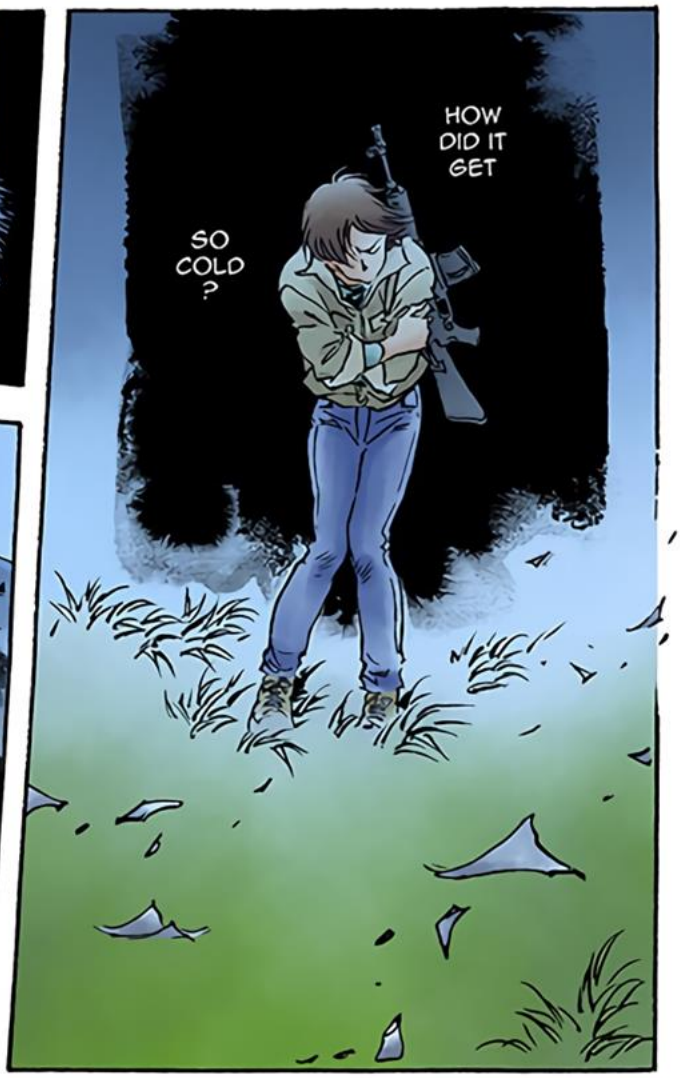
COLD
...

COLD
...

SNOW
?!


HOW
DID IT
GET
SO
COLD
?

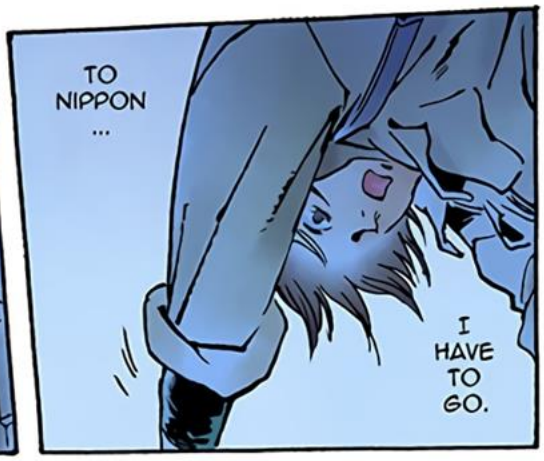
IT'S SNOW-ING!
IT SNOWS IN THE COLONIES TOO!
IT'S SO COLD.
BUT ...
UP HERE.
I CAN'T STAY...

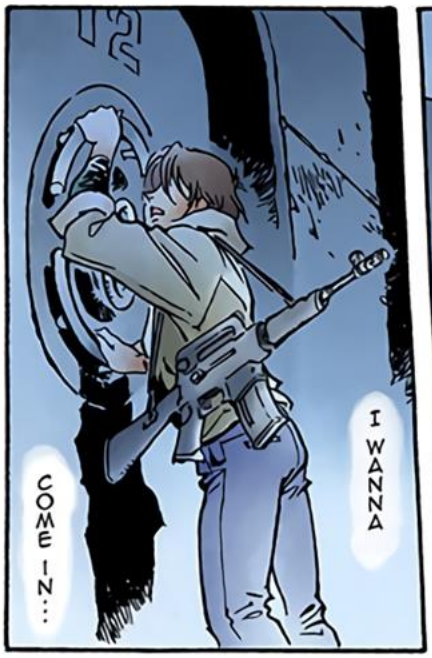
HUH?
...
WHAT HAPPENED? EVERYONE'S...
C'MON, GUYS.
WE'VE GOT TO GUARD THE SHELTER...

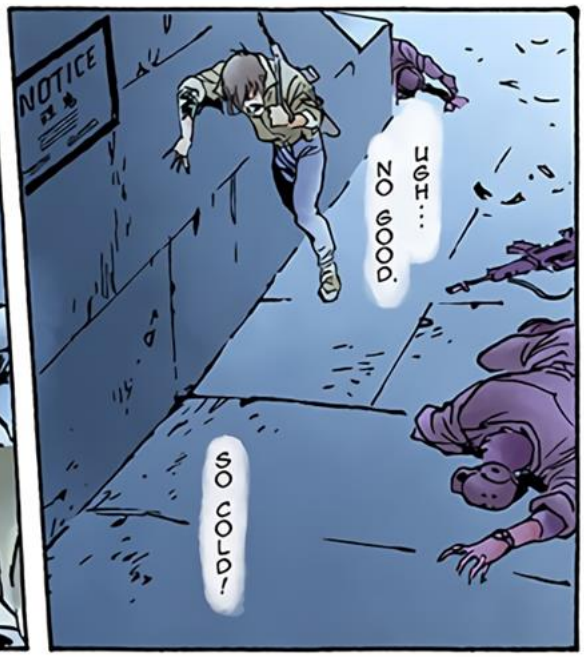
THAT'S WEIRD ...
WHAT'S GOING ON?
?
NO.
IF I FALL ASLEEP OUT HERE
I'LL CATCH A COLD.

I CAN'T GET SICK NOW.

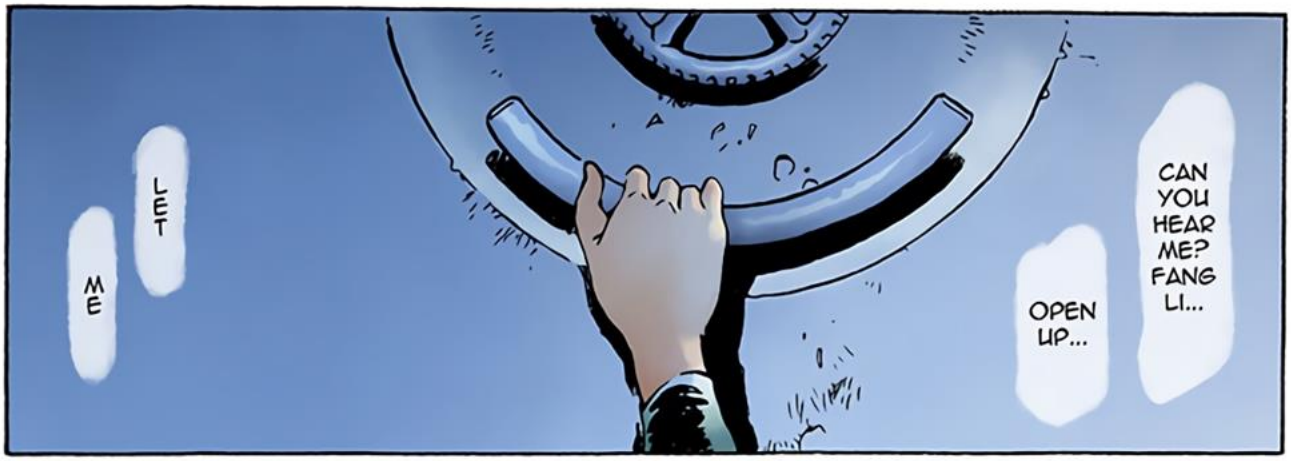
BEFORE THE SAKURA PETALS FALL ...

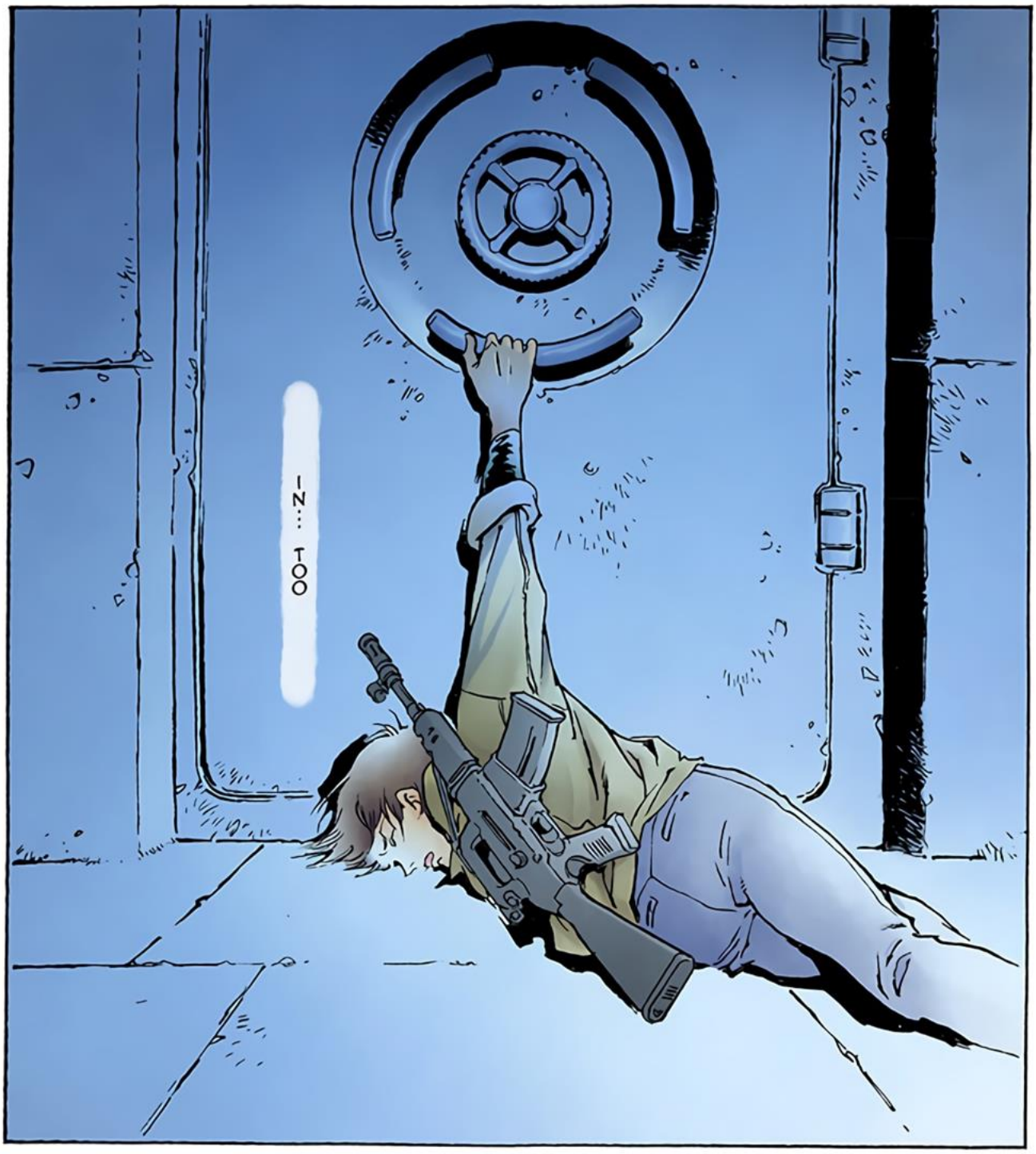

TO NIPPON ...
I HAVE TO GO.

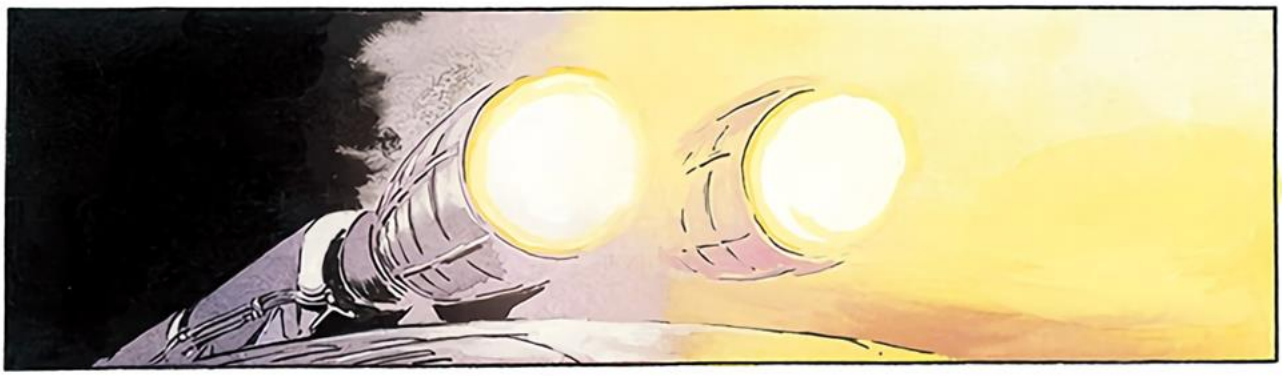

COME IN...
I WANNA

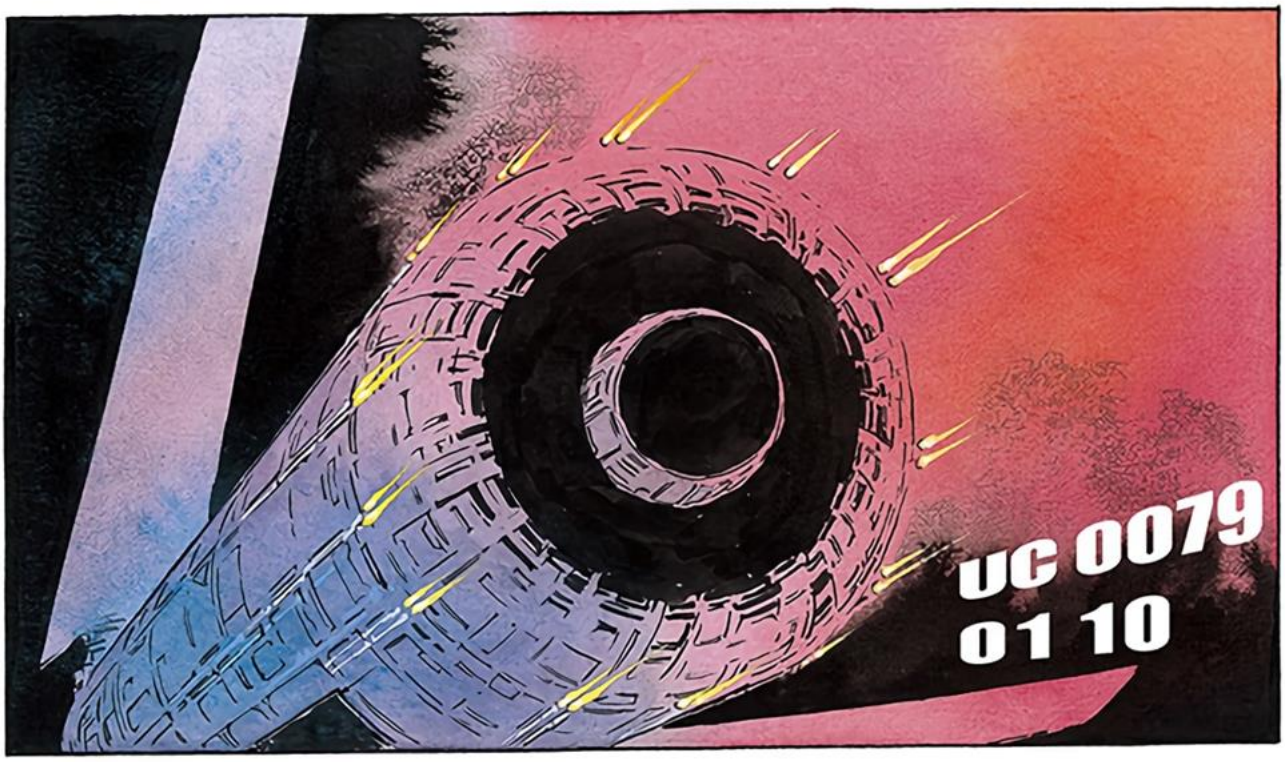

NOTICE
UGH... NO GOOD.
SO COLD!

EXIT
Food
WATER


CAN YOU HEAR ME? FANG LI...
OPEN UP...
LET ME


IN... TOO

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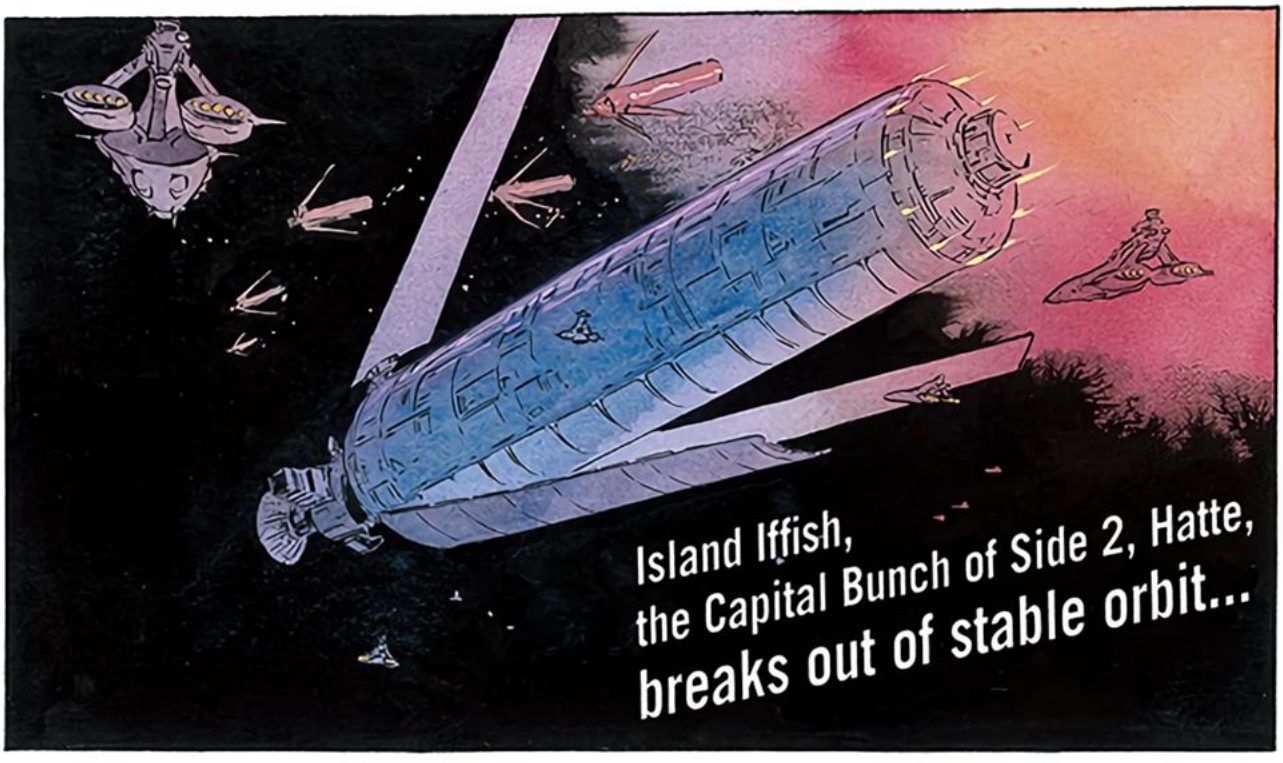
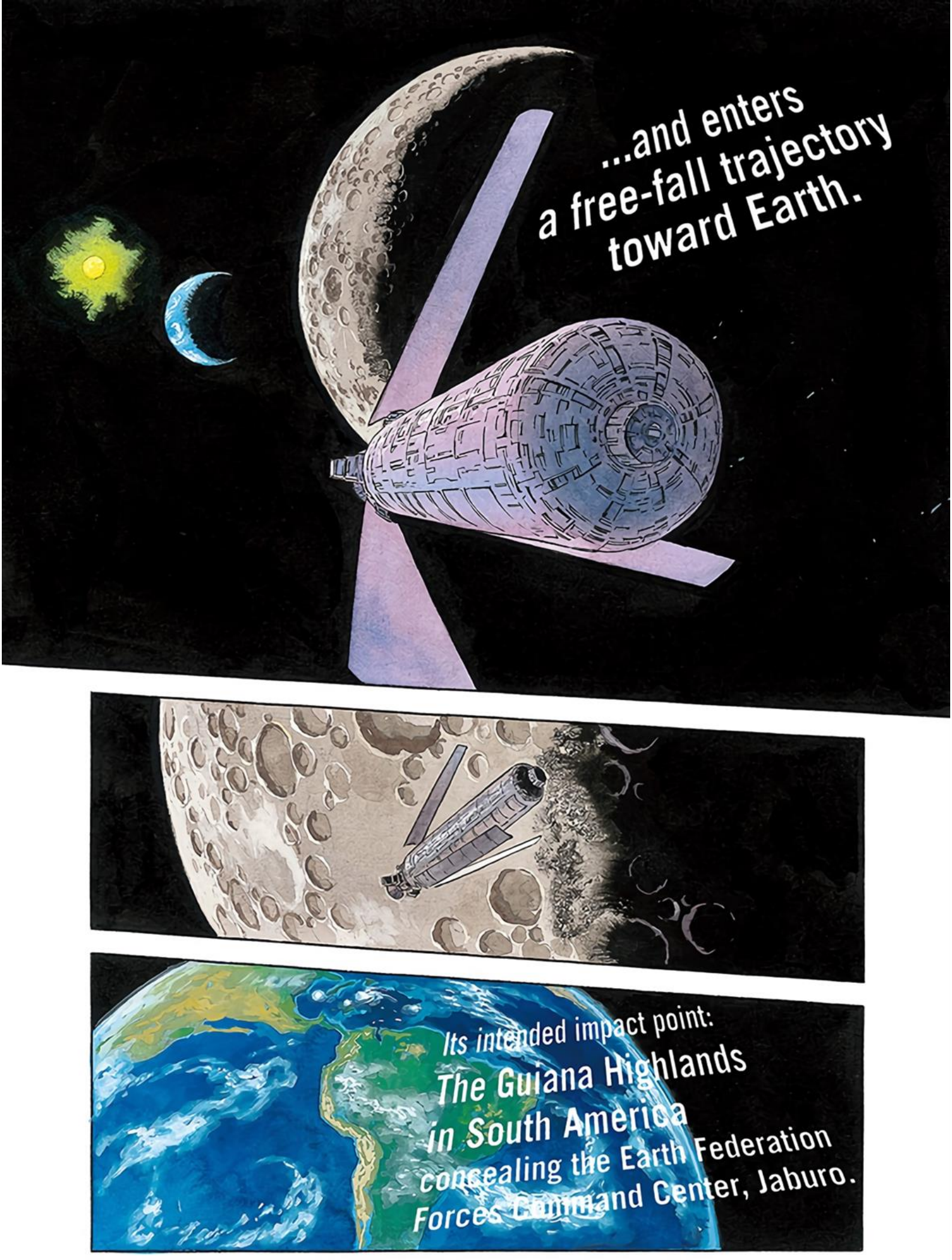
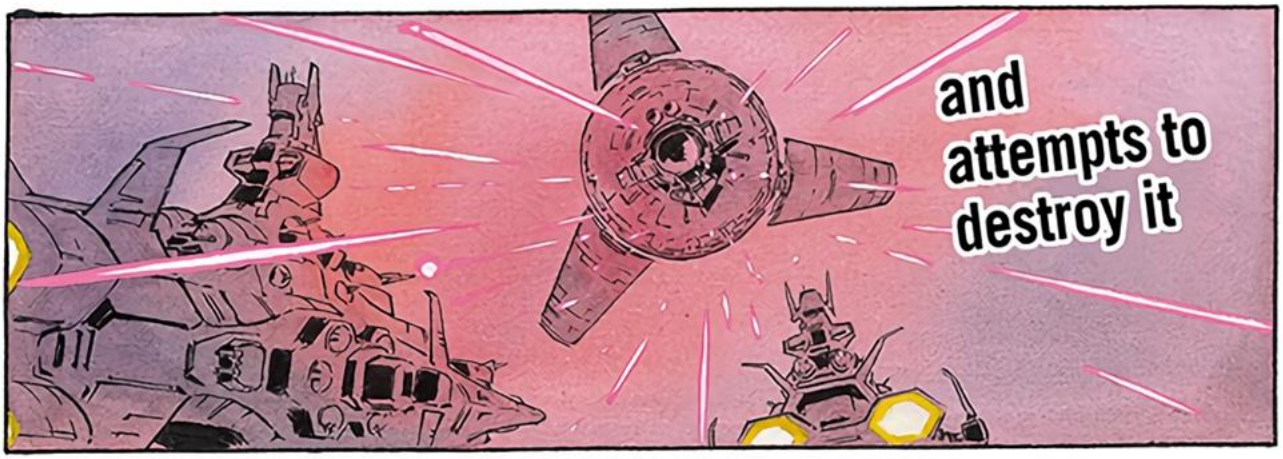
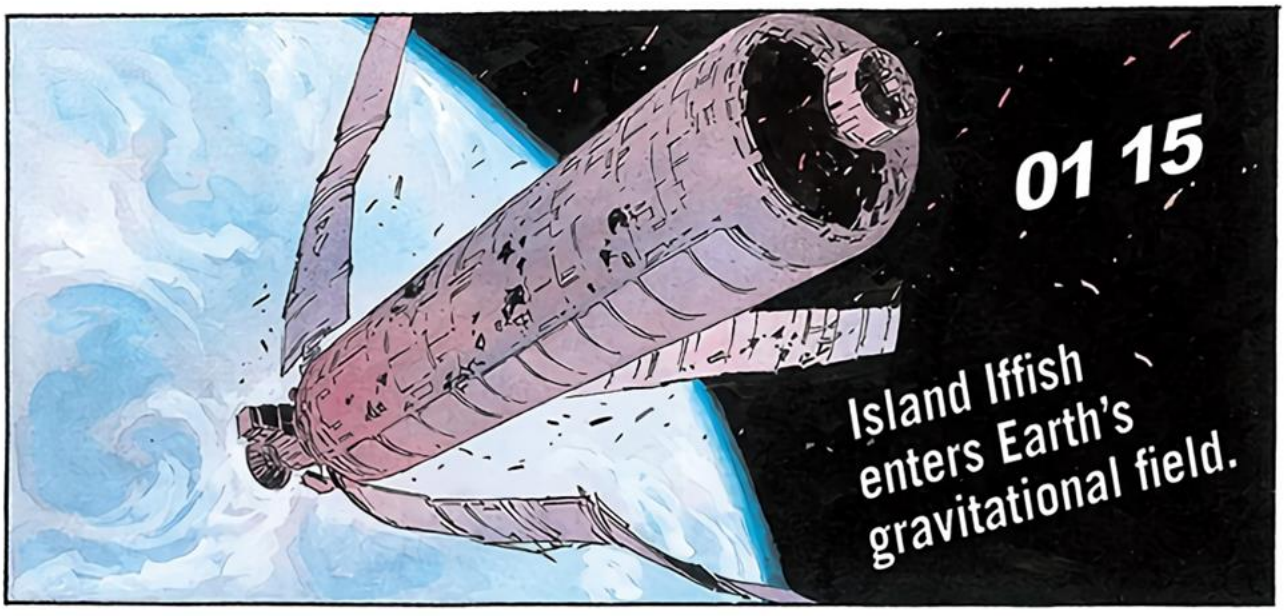

Island Iffish,
the Capital Bunch of Side 2, Hatte,
breaks out of stable orbit...


...and enters
a free-fall trajectory
toward Earth.
Its intended impact point:
The Guiana Highlands
in South America
concealing the Earth Federation
Forces Command Center, Jaburo.

Vice Admiral Tianem's fleet,
headed toward Zeon's forces,
promptly changes course


and
attempts to
destroy it

to no
avail.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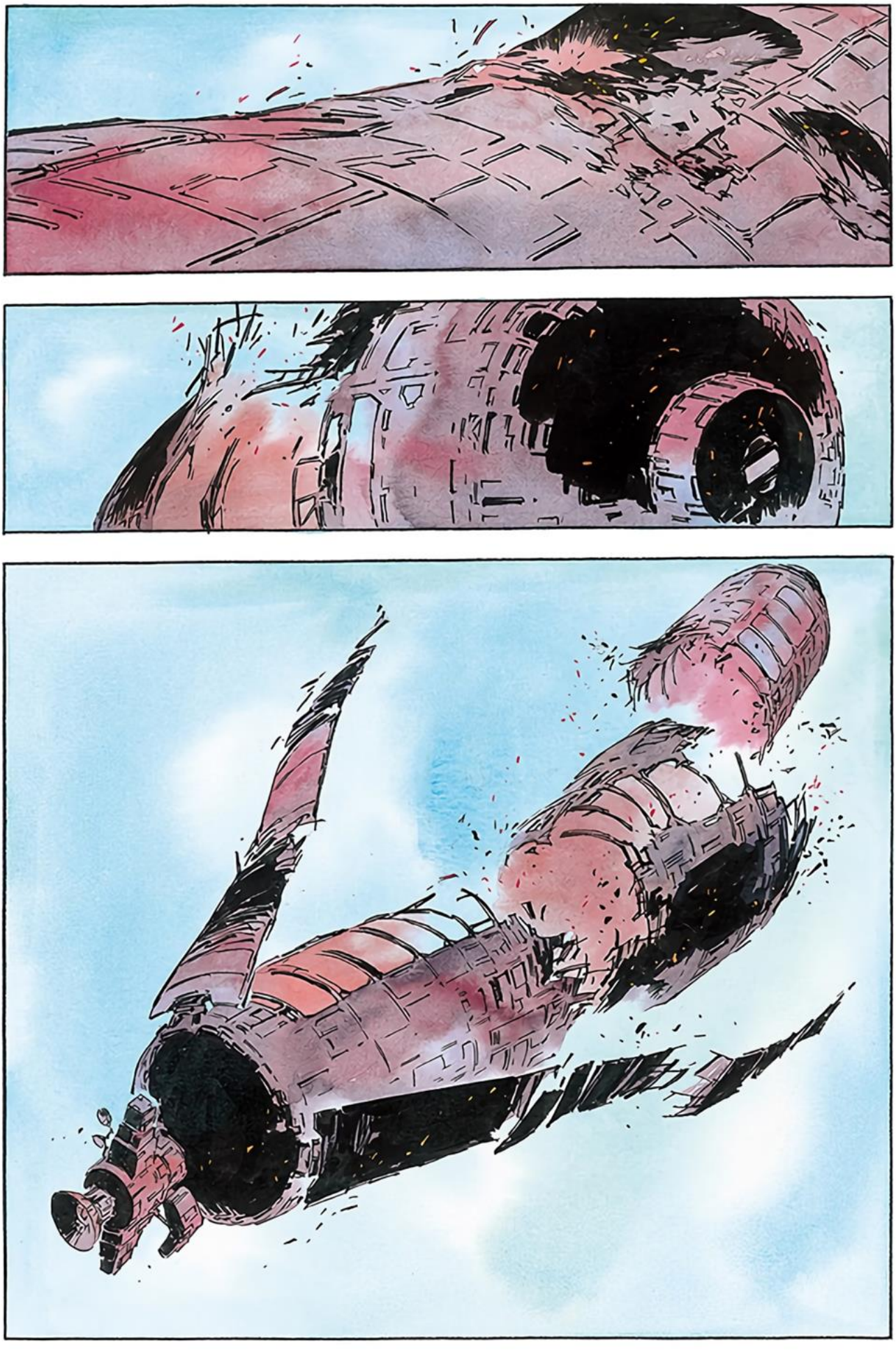
Island Iffish
enters Earth's
gravitational field.



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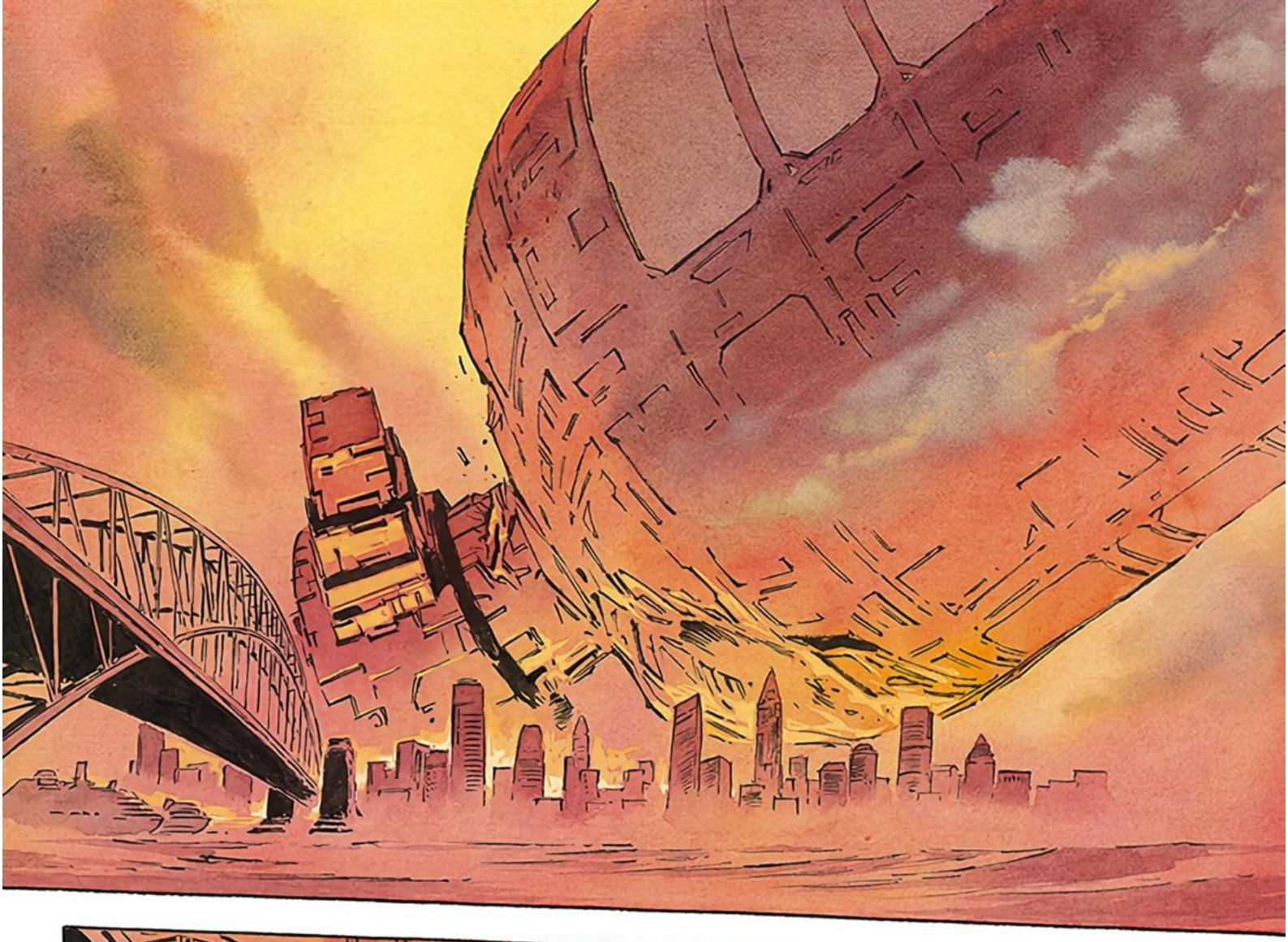
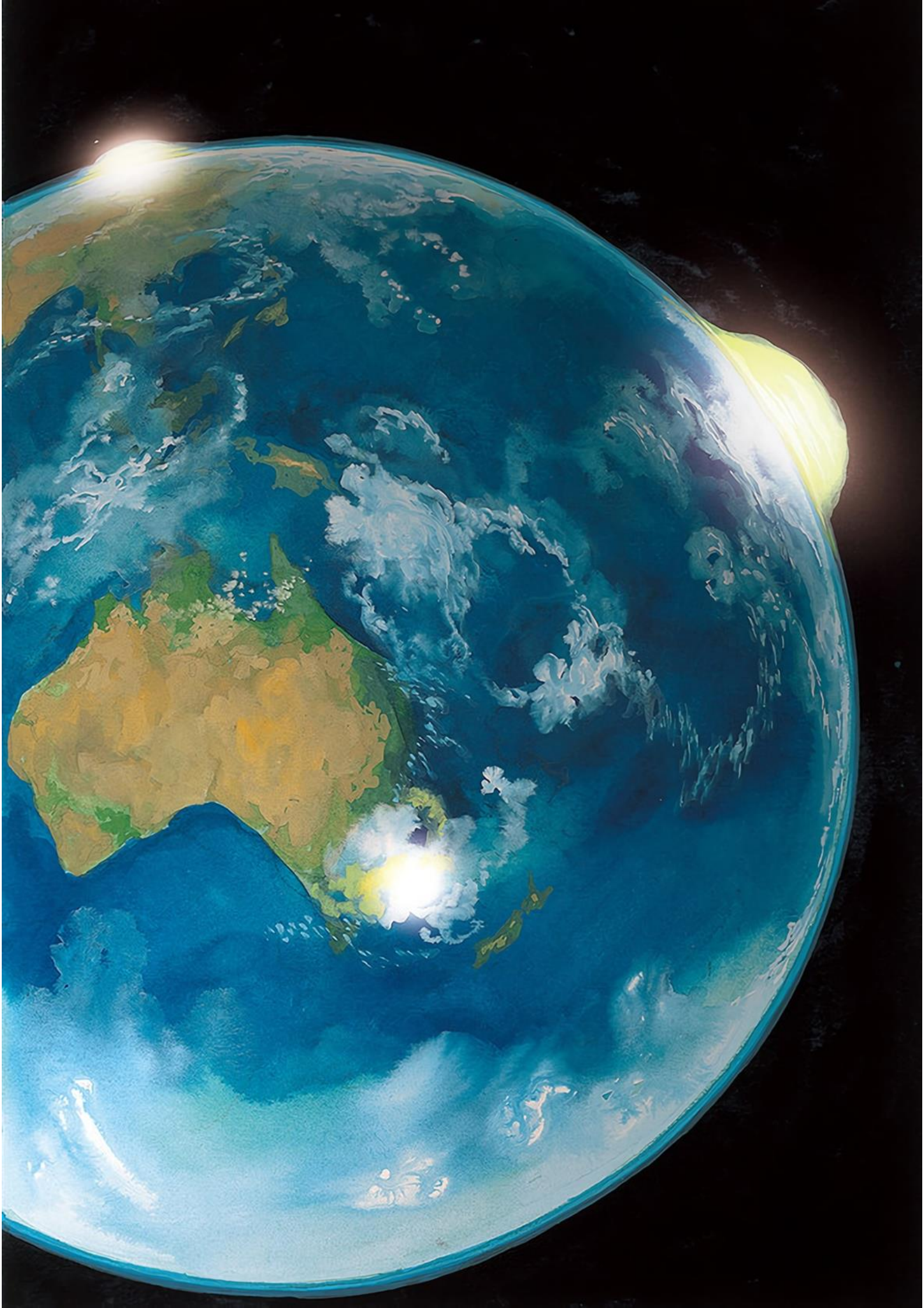
It breaks into
three pieces, each of which plunges
into Earth's atmosphere.





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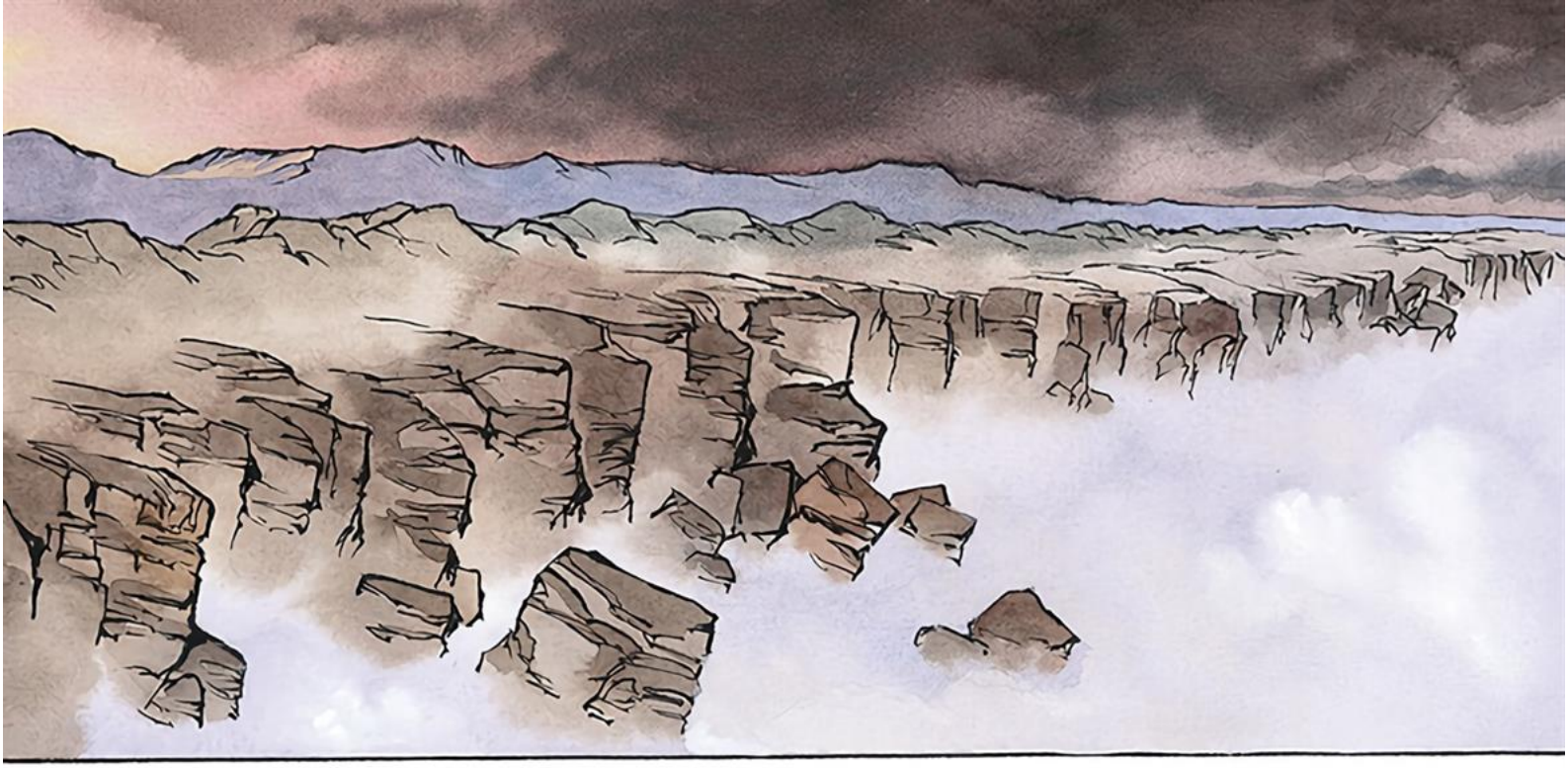
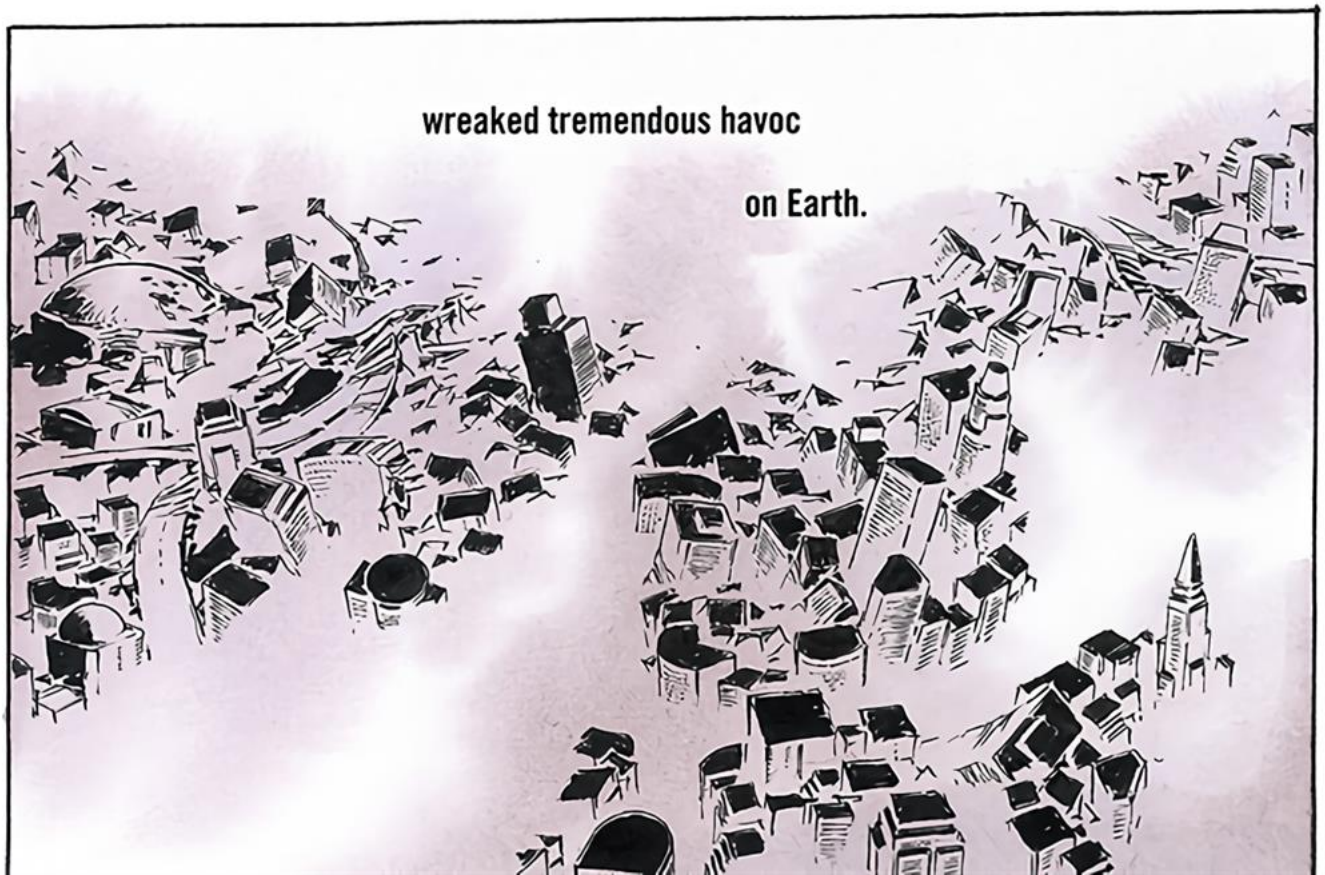
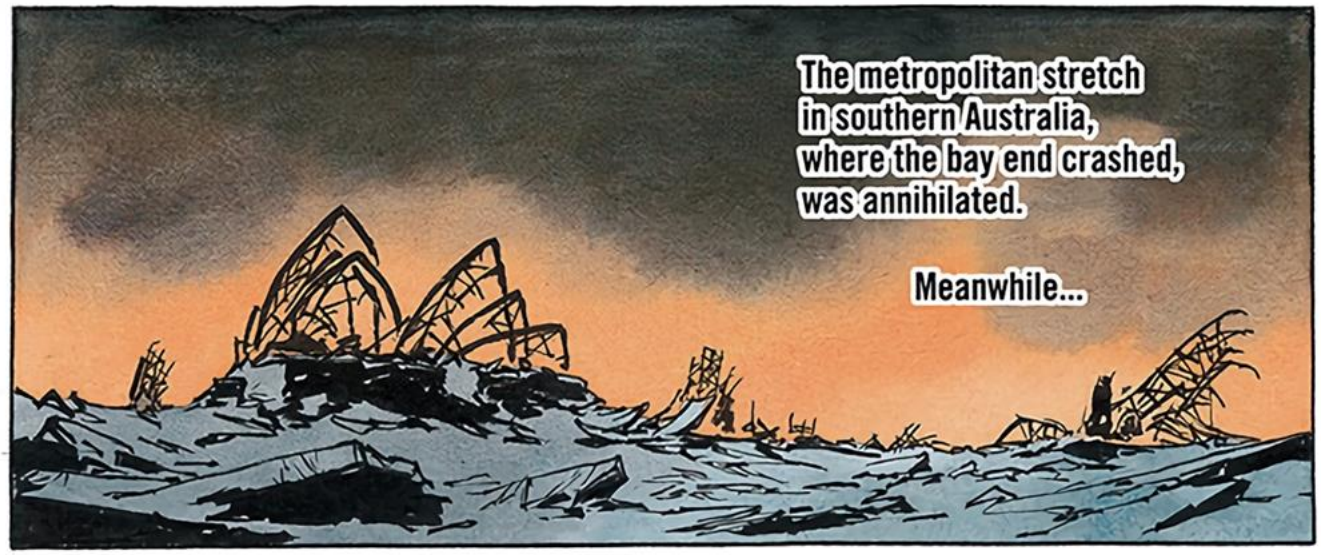
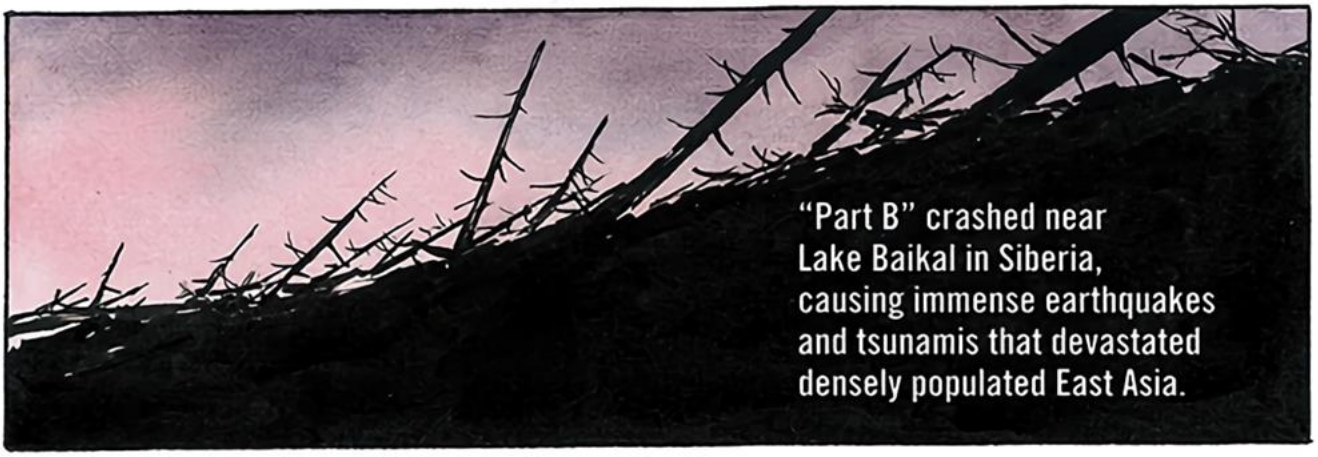
II



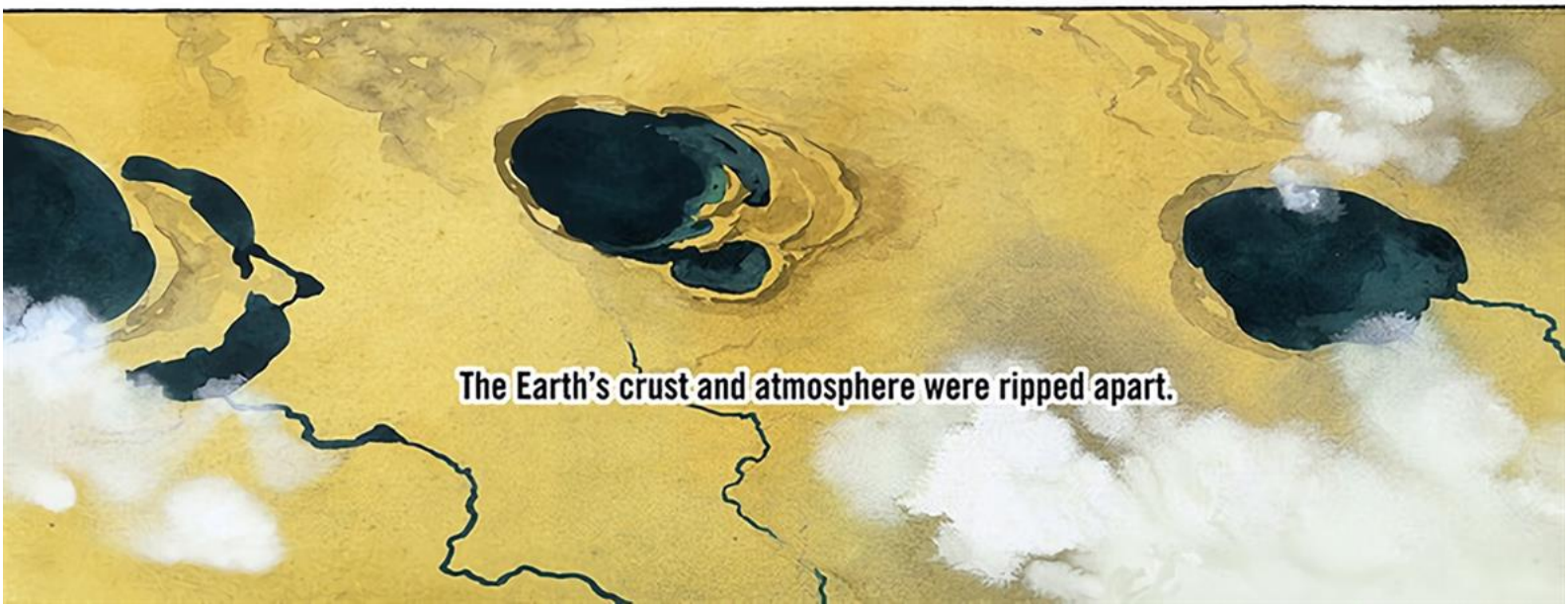
The Island Iffish drop

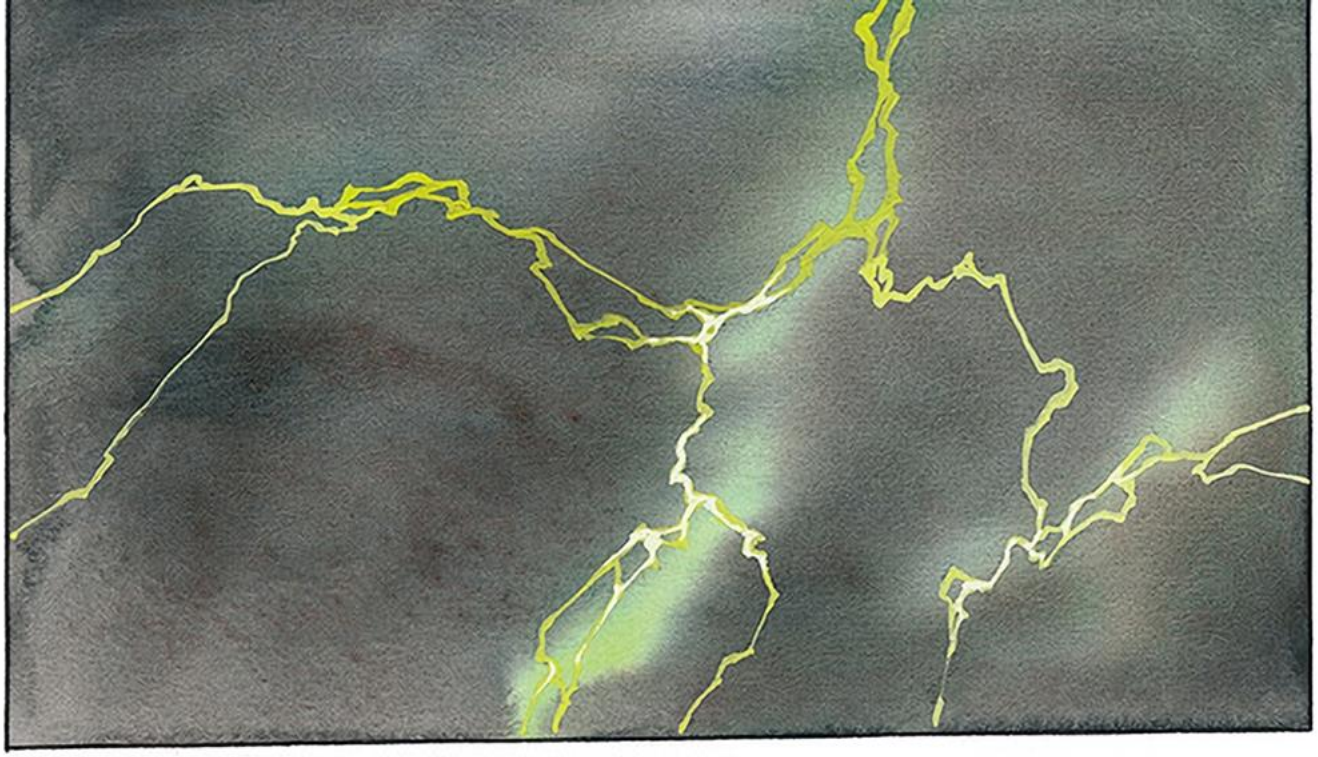

wreaked tremendous havoc
on Earth.

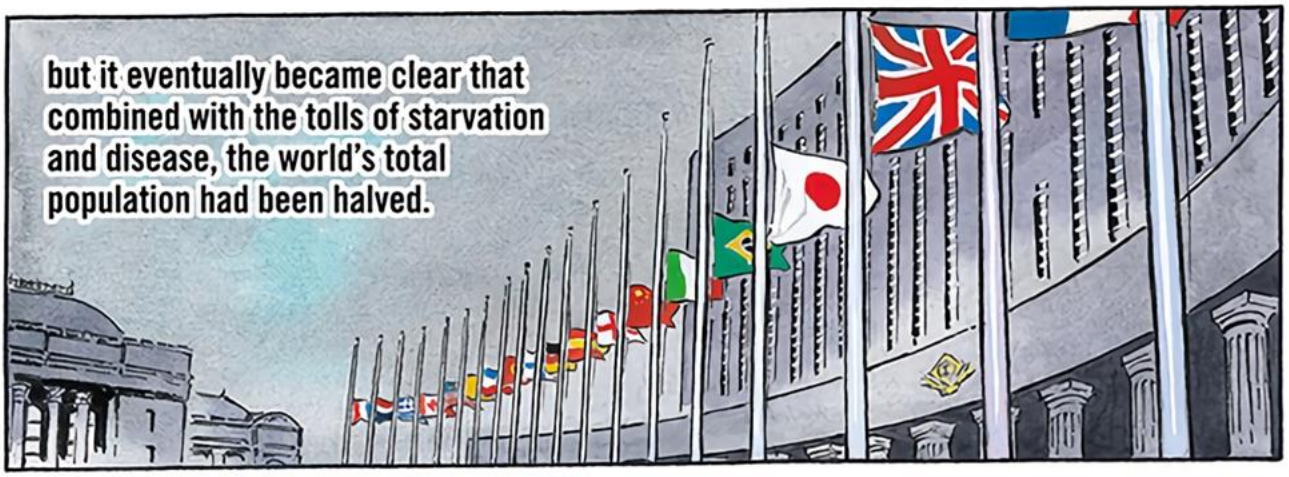

The metropolitan stretch in southern Australia, where the bay end crashed, was annihilated.
Meanwhile...


"Part B" crashed near Lake Baikal in Siberia, causing immense earthquakes and tsunamis that devastated densely populated East Asia.

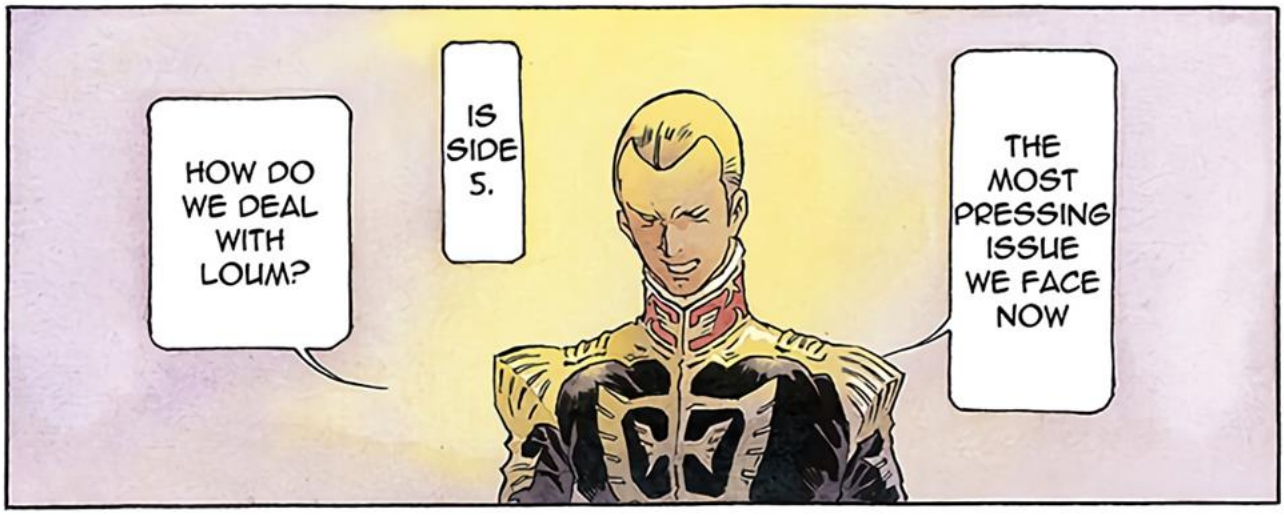
The huge land area called "Part C" fell in southwestern Canada and showered most of the U.S.
with a hail of debris.

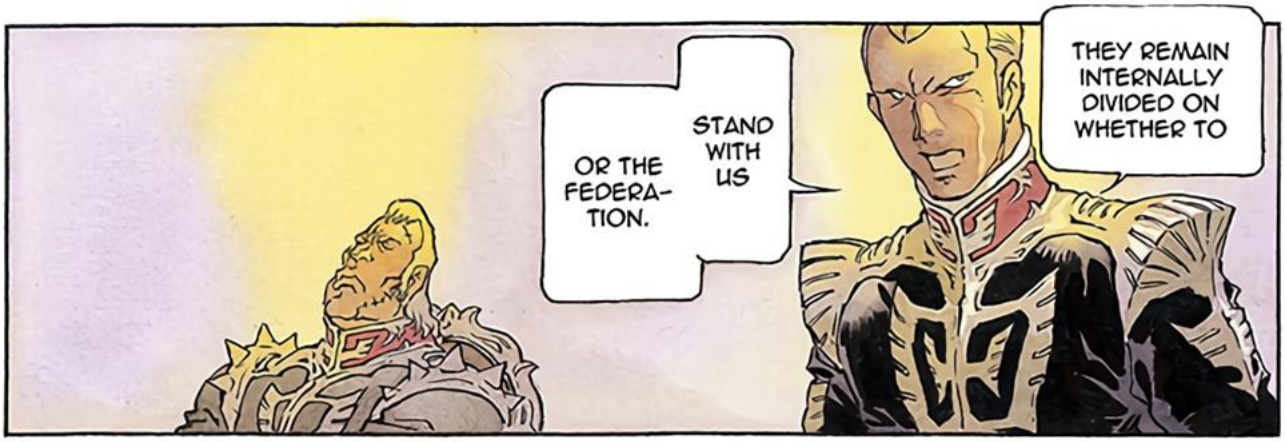

The Earth's crust and atmosphere were ripped apart.





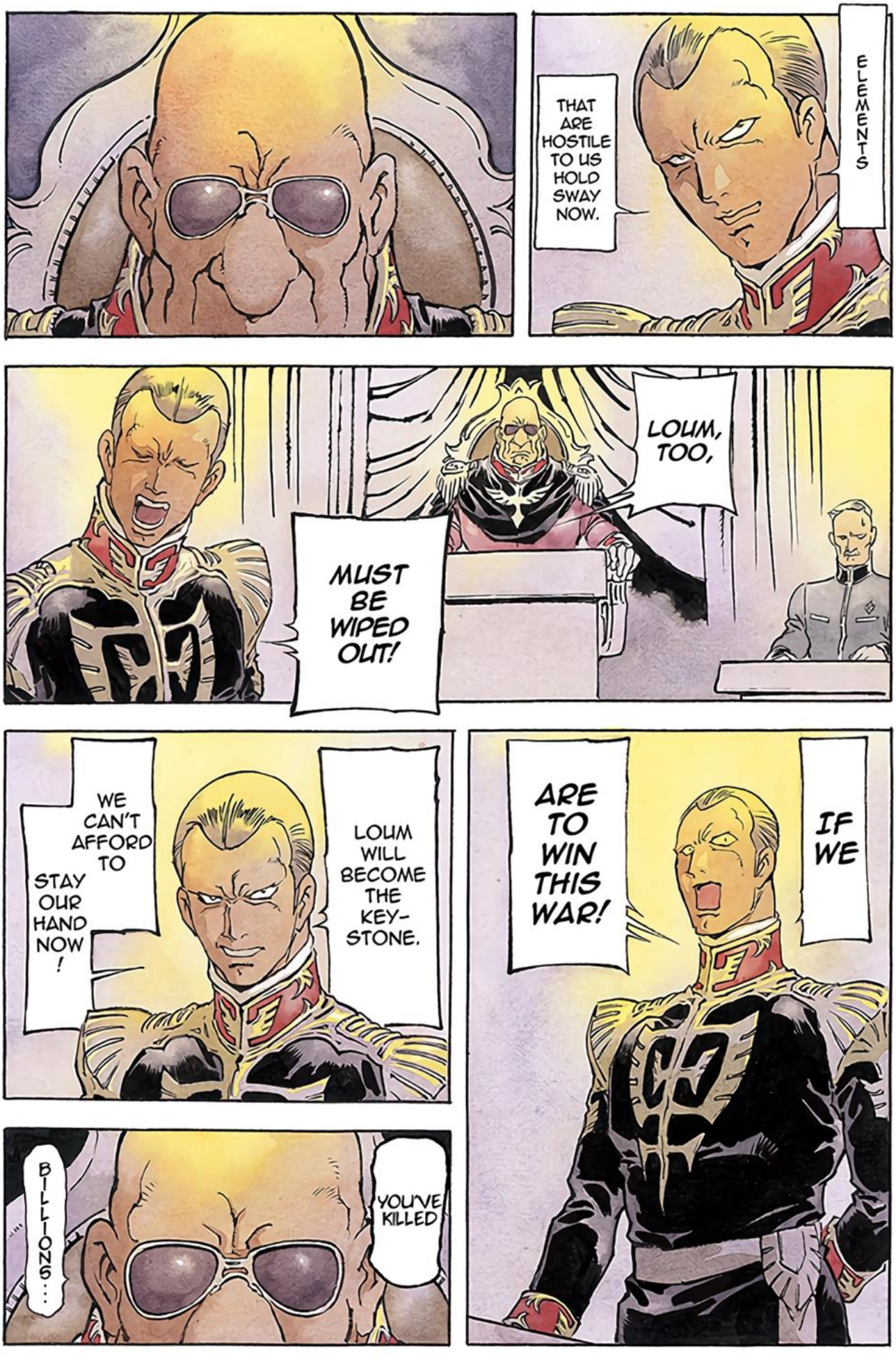
The war, however, had only begun.
The first stages, from its declaration to the destruction of Hatte, later came to be called the "One Week War."

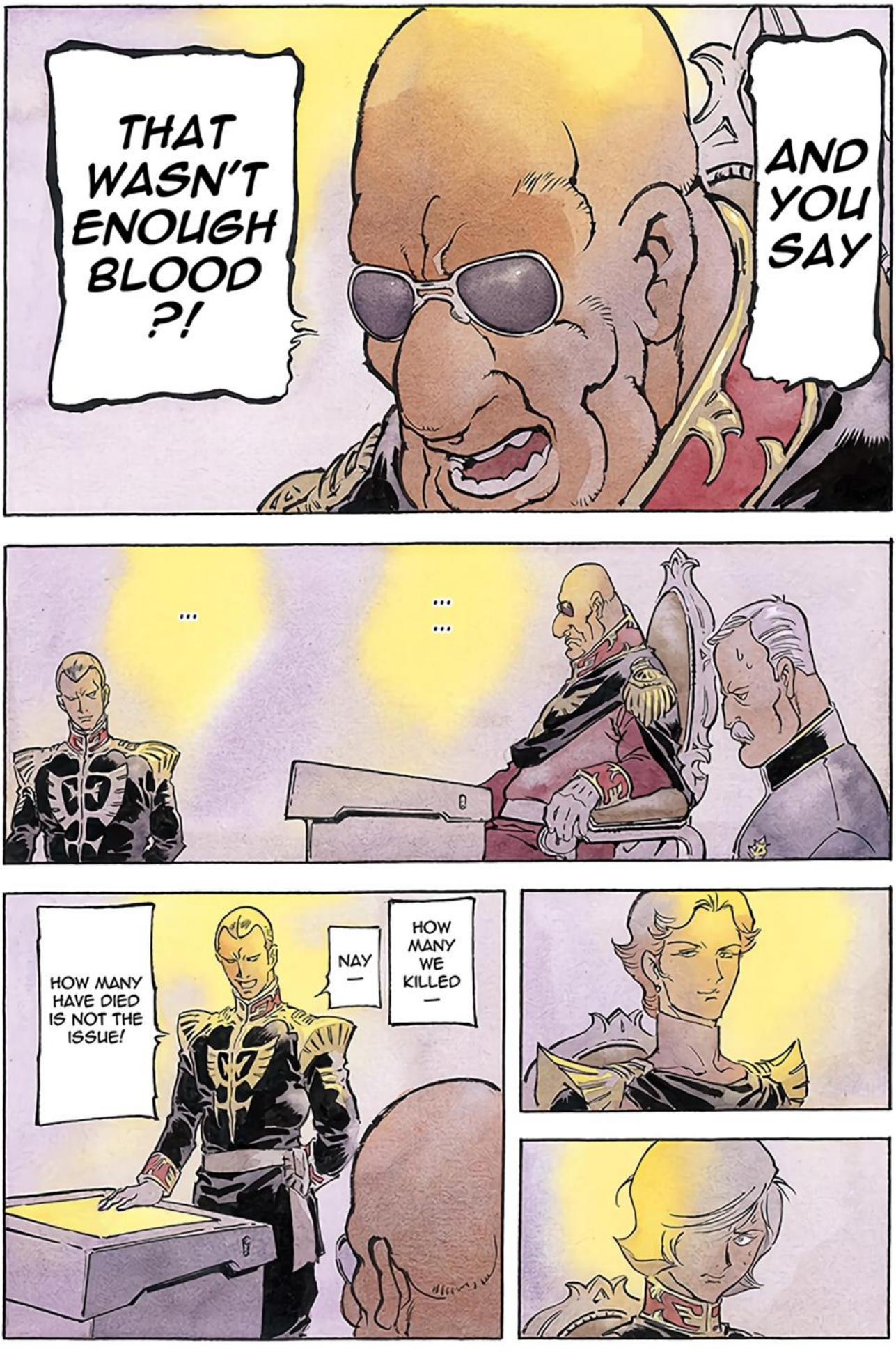

HOW DO WE DEAL WITH LOUM?
IS SIDE 5.
THE MOST PRESSING ISSUE WE FACE NOW

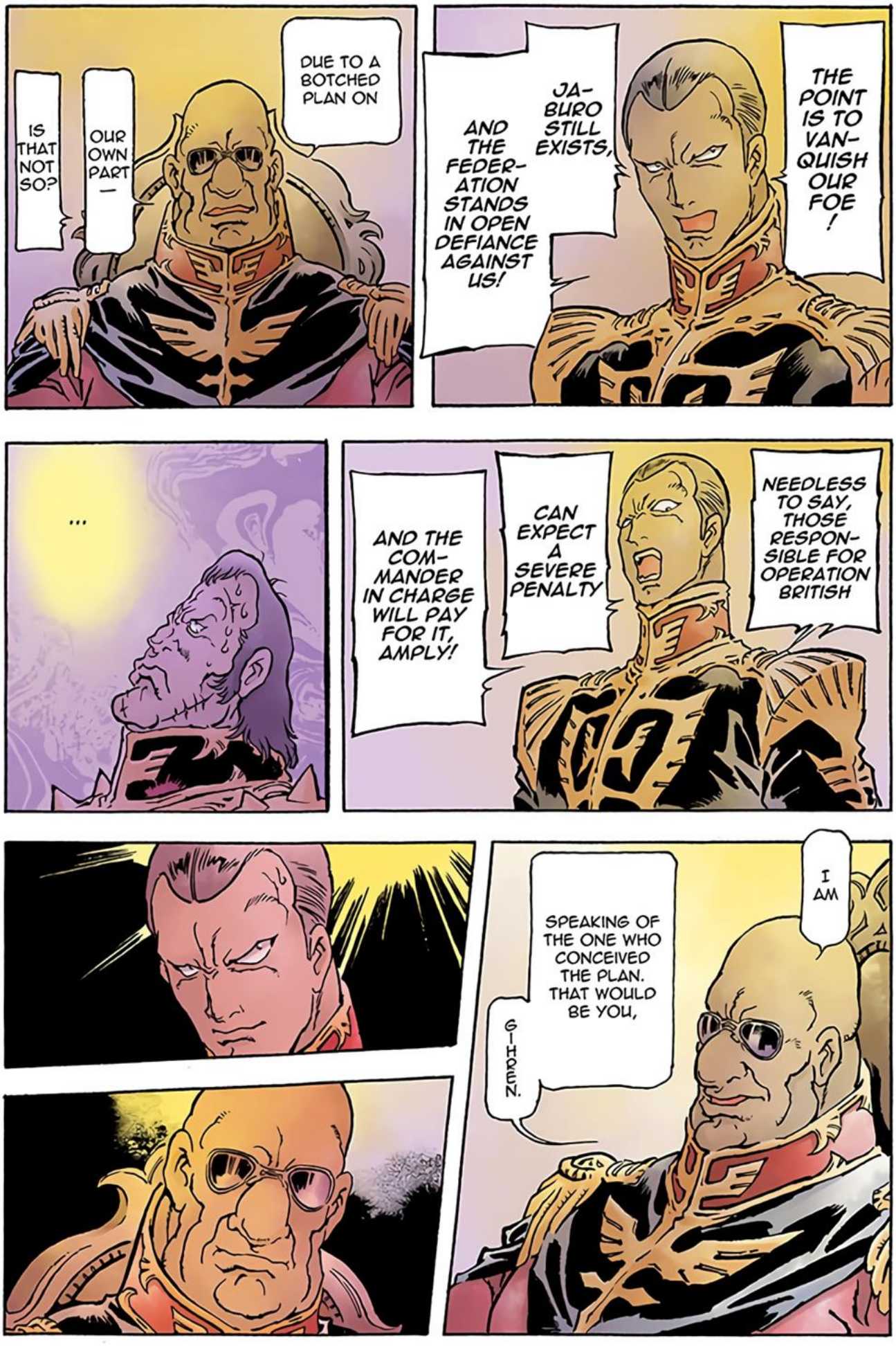

THEY REMAIN INTERNALLY DIVIDED ON WHETHER TO
STAND WITH US
OR THE FEDERA-TION.

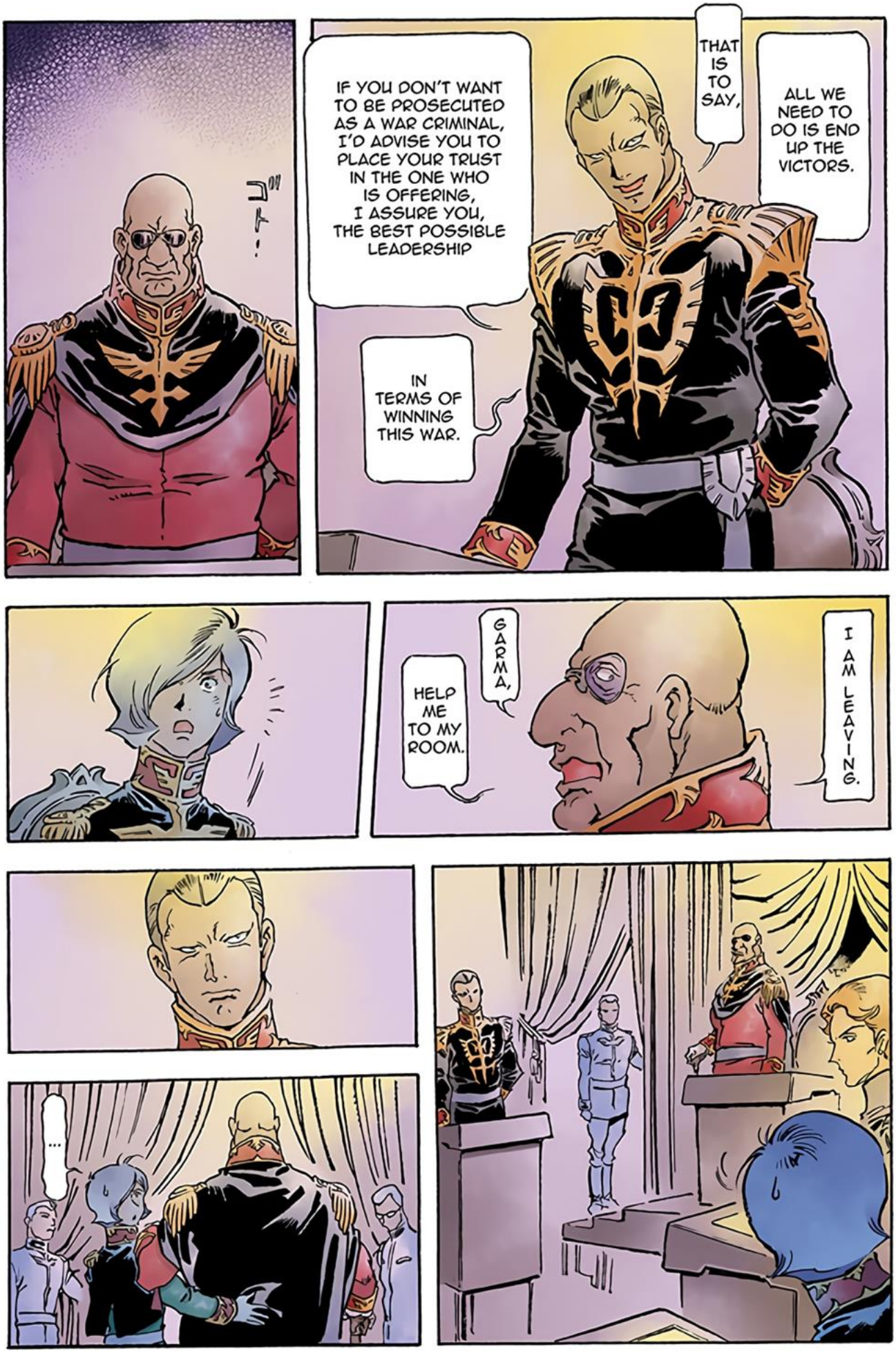
THEY ALREADY HAVE THE STRENGTH OF THE FEDERATION BEHIND THEM.
YET UNLIKE WITH HATTE,

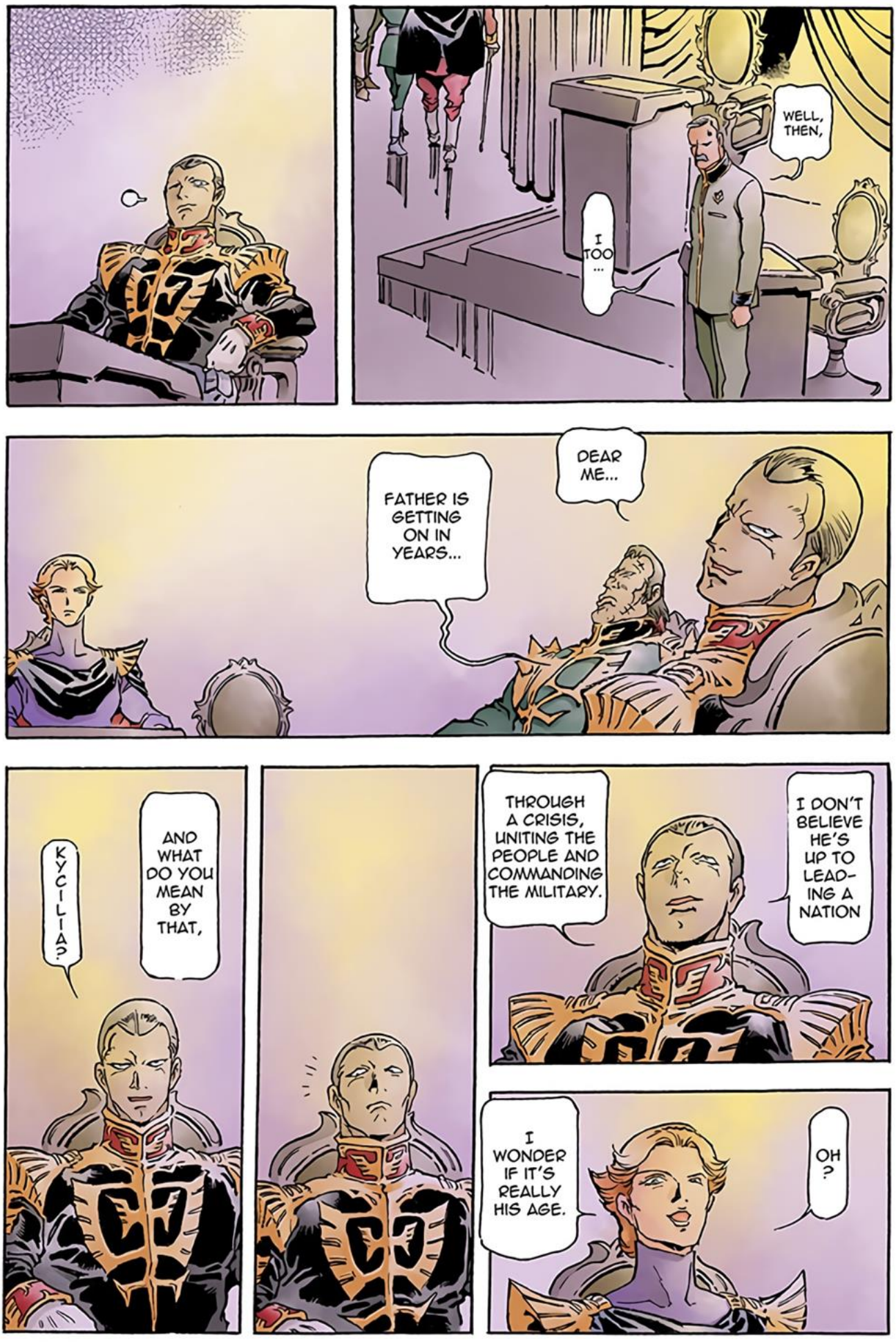
PUBLIC OPINION IN LOUM.
THIS HAS CONTRIBUTED TO A MARKED SHIFT IN
THE FEDER-ATION'S BEST.
THE FLEET OF VICE ADMIRAL TIANEM,
DOCKED THERE NOW IS


ELEMENTS
THAT ARE HOSTILE TO US HOLD SWAY NOW.
LOUM, TOO,
MUST BE WIPED OUT!
IF WE
ARE TO WIN THIS WAR!
LOUM WILL BECOME THE KEY-STONE.
WE CAN'T AFFORD TO STAY OUR HAND NOW!
YOU'VE KILLED
BILLIONS...

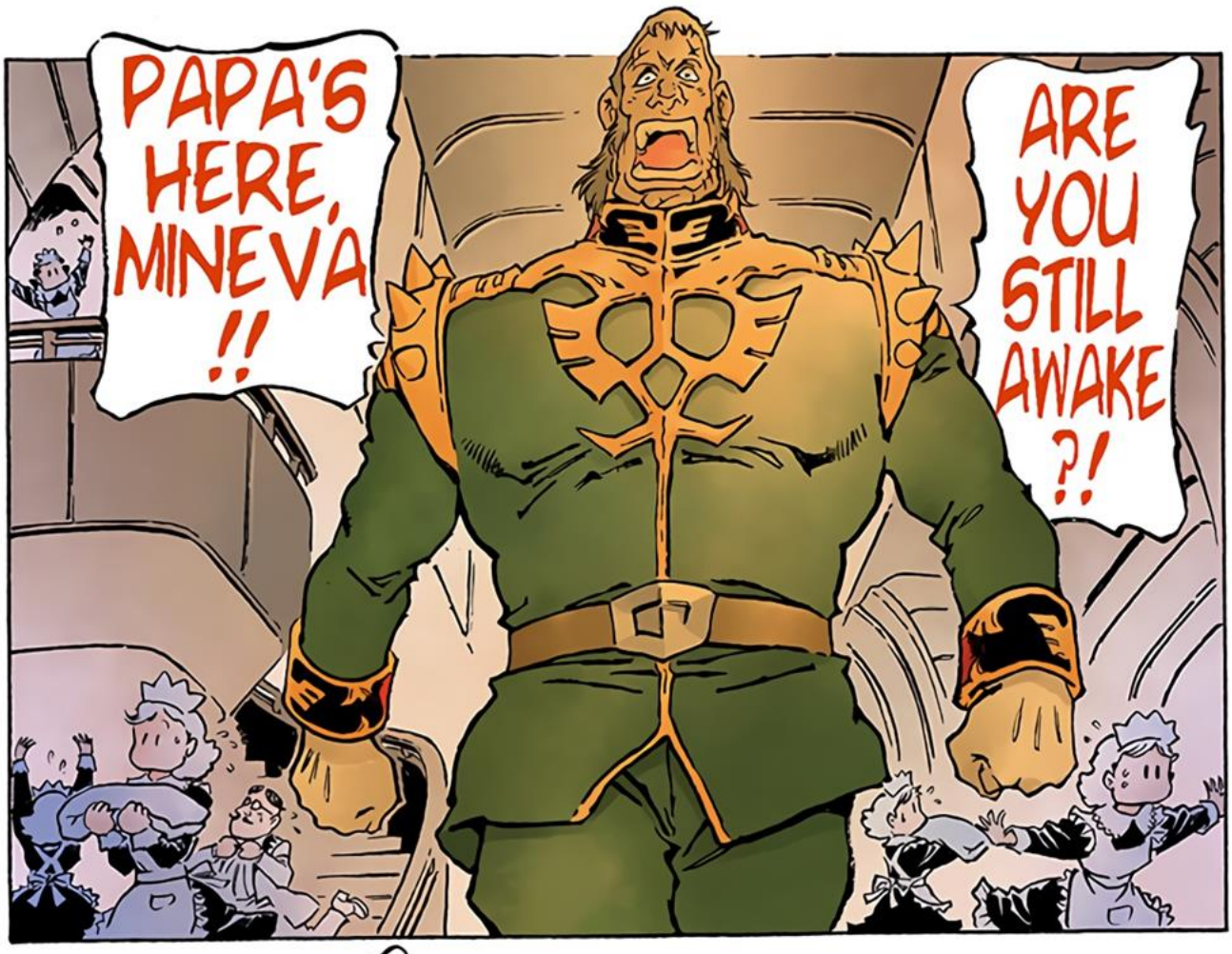

AND YOU SAY
THAT WASN'T ENOUGH BLOOD ?!
...
...
...
HOW MANY WE KILLED —
NAY —
HOW MANY HAVE DIED IS NOT THE ISSUE!


THE POINT IS TO VAN-QUISH OUR FOE!
JA-BURO STILL EXISTS,
AND THE FEDER-ATION STANDS IN OPEN DEFIANCE AGAINST US!
DUE TO A BOTCHED PLAN ON
OUR OWN PART —
IS THAT NOT SO?
NEEDLESS TO SAY, THOSE RESPON-SIBLE FOR OPERATION BRITISH
CAN EXPECT A SEVERE PENALTY
AND THE COM-MANDER IN CHARGE WILL PAY FOR IT, AMPLY!
...
I AM
SPEAKING OF THE ONE WHO CONCEIVED THE PLAN. THAT WOULD BE YOU,
GIHREN.

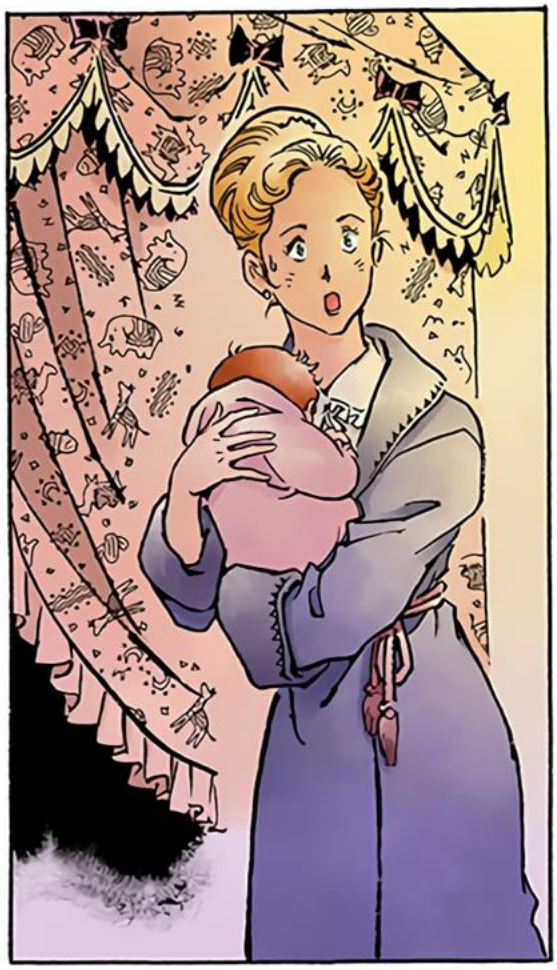

ゴト！
IF YOU DON'T WANT TO BE PROSECUTED AS A WAR CRIMINAL, I'D ADVISE YOU TO PLACE YOUR TRUST IN THE ONE WHO IS OFFERING, I ASSURE YOU, THE BEST POSSIBLE LEADERSHIP
IN TERMS OF WINNING THIS WAR.
THAT IS TO SAY,
ALL WE NEED TO DO IS END UP THE VICTORS.
I AM LEAVING.
GARMA,
HELP ME TO MY ROOM.
…


WELL, THEN,
I TOO ...
DEAR ME...
FATHER IS GETTING ON IN YEARS...
I DON'T BELIEVE HE'S UP TO LEAD-ING A NATION
THROUGH A CRISIS, UNITING THE PEOPLE AND COMMANDING THE MILITARY.
OH?
I WONDER IF IT'S REALLY HIS AGE.
AND WHAT DO YOU MEAN BY THAT,
KYCILIA?

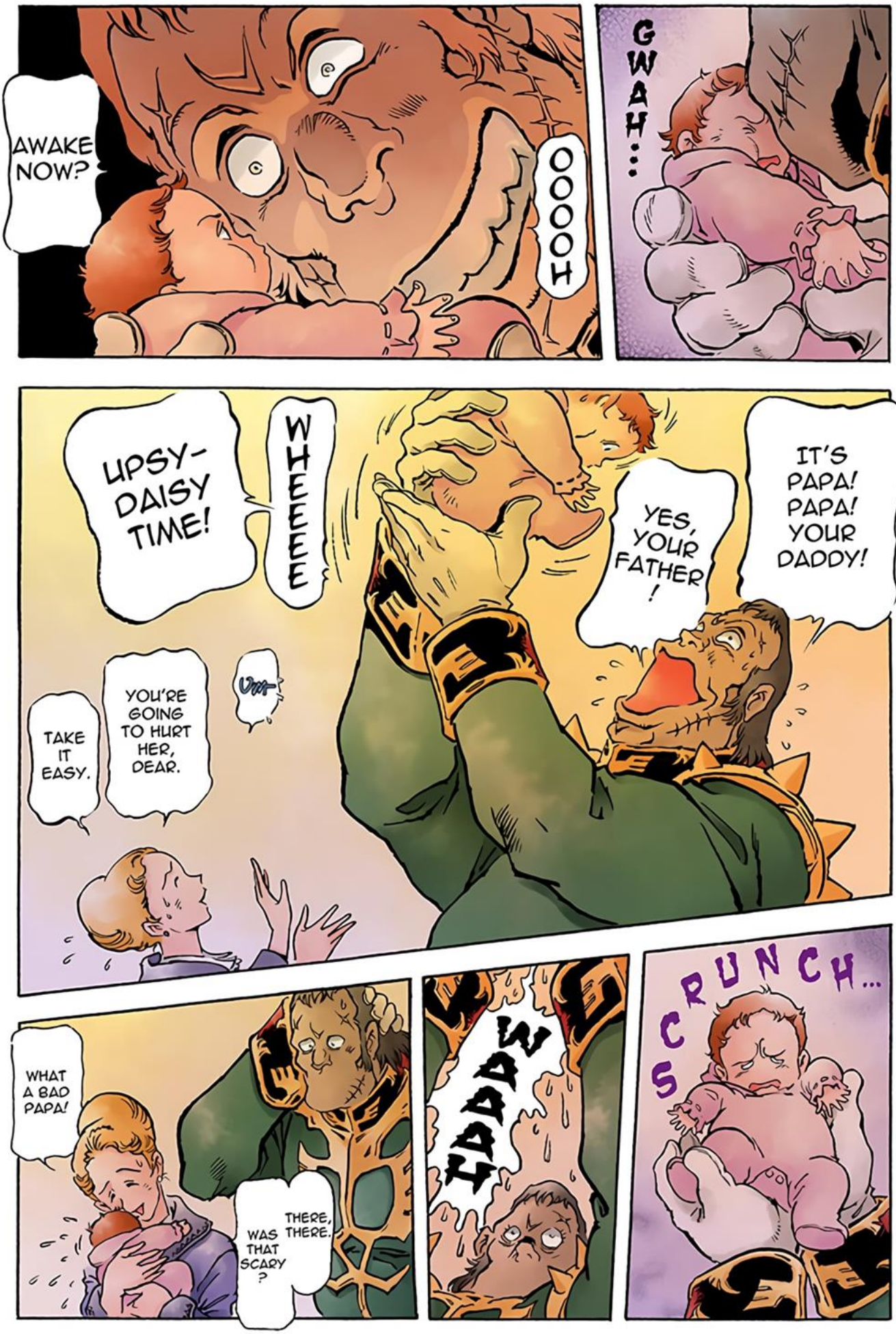
...
AND IS A FAIRLY CLEVER MAN, IS HE NOT?
BUT OUR FATHER DID WEATHER MANY A CRISIS IN SUCH A MANNER
WELL, I'M NOT SURE I MEANT MUCH BY IT.
I'M HOME
MINE-VA!!
ZEN-NA

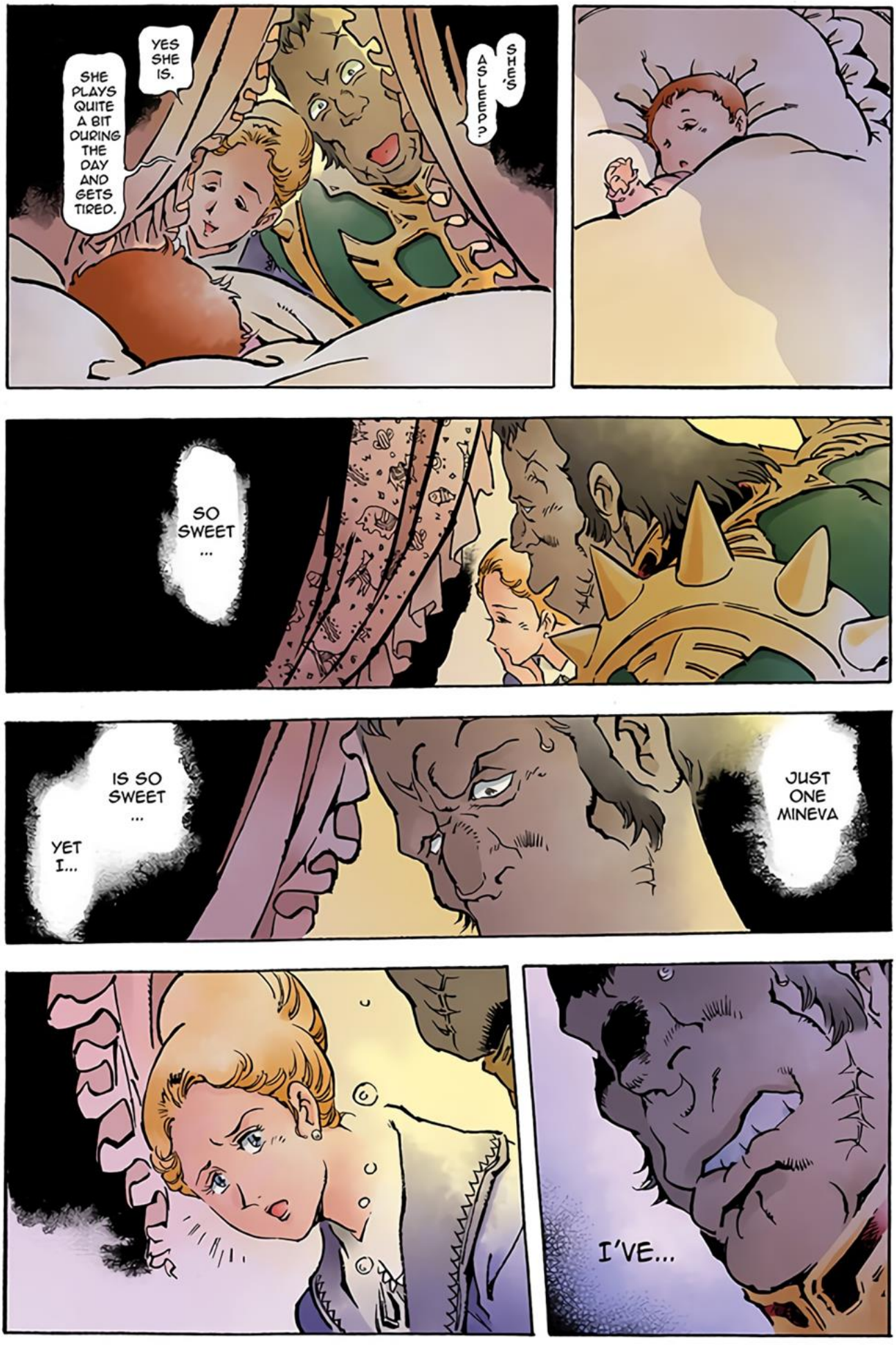

PAPA'S HERE, MINEVA !!
ARE YOU STILL AWAKE ?!

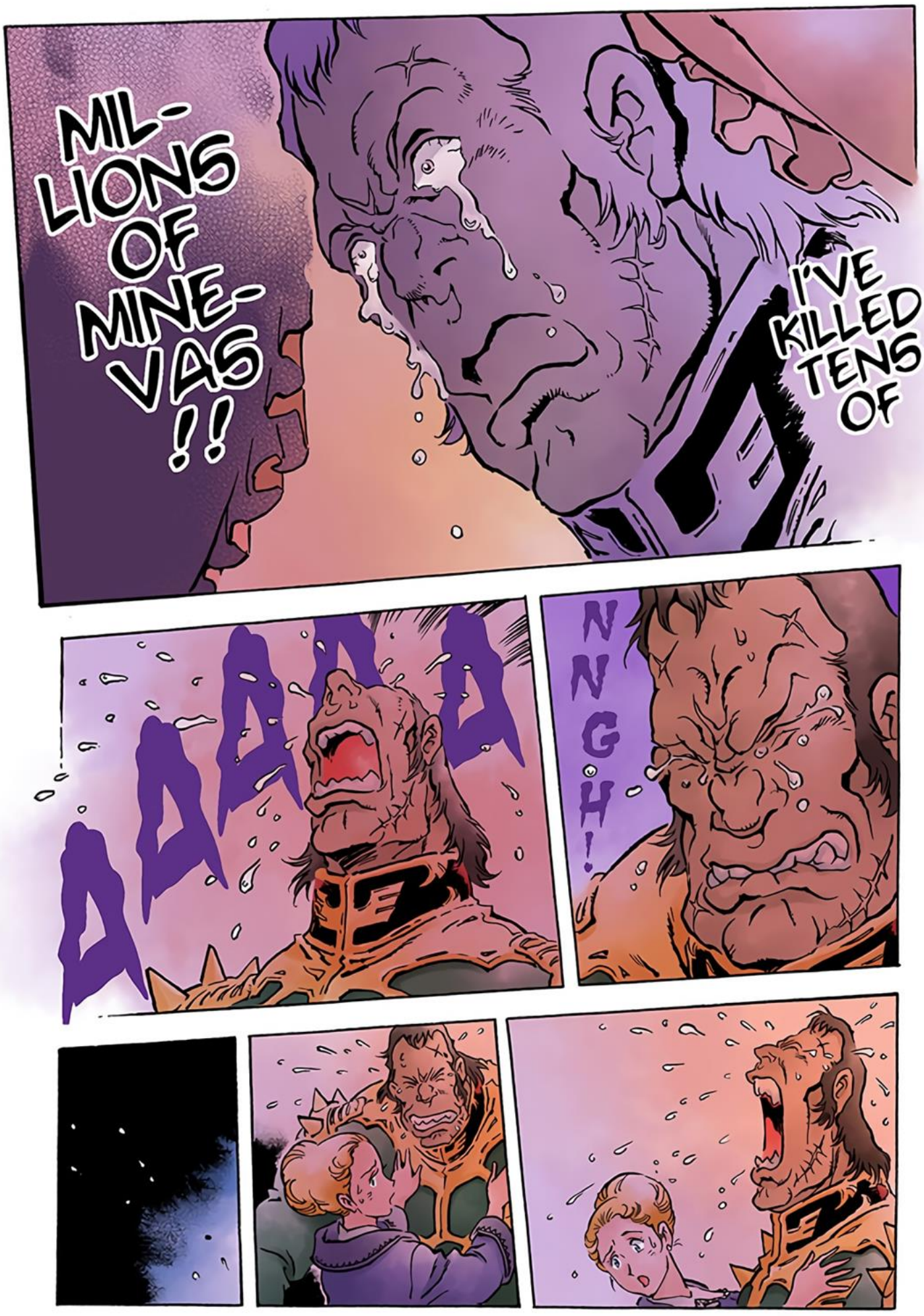
HAVE YOU BEEN A GOOD GIRL?!
AAAH MINEVA !



I MISSED YOU, MINEVA!
yes yes FOR REAL !


AWAKE NOW?
OOOOH
GWAH...
IT'S PAPA! PAPA! YOUR DADDY!
YES, YOUR FATHER!
WHEEEE
UPSY-DAISY TIME!
YOU'RE GOING TO HURT HER, DEAR.
TAKE IT EASY.
SCRUNCH...
SQUAT
WHAT A BAD PAPA!
THERE, THERE. WAS THAT SCARY?


SHE'S ASLEEP?
YES SHE IS.
SHE PLAYS QUITE A BIT DURING THE DAY AND GETS TIRED.
SO SWEET ...
JUST ONE MINEVA
IS SO SWEET ...
YET I...
I'VE...


MIL-
LIONS
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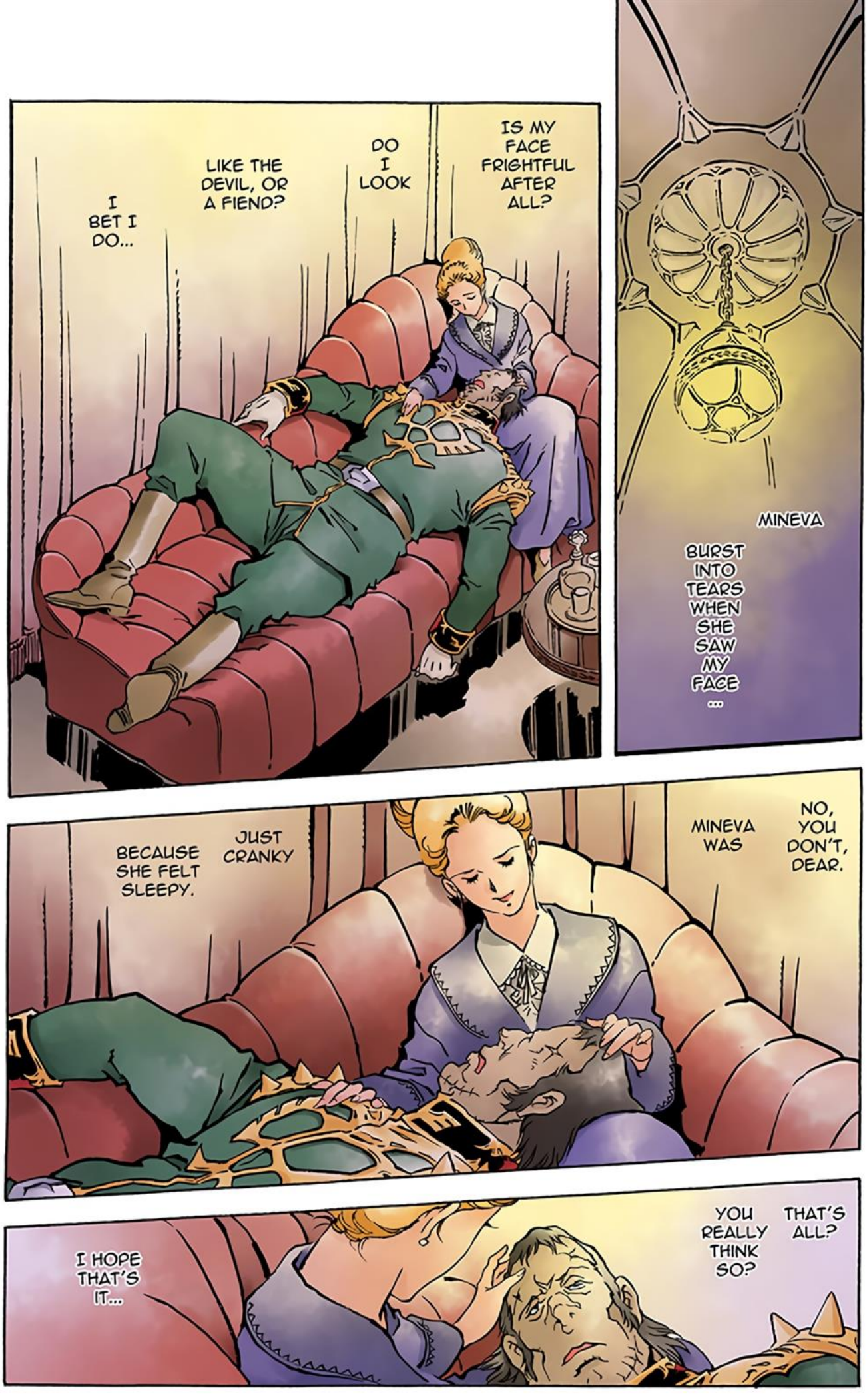
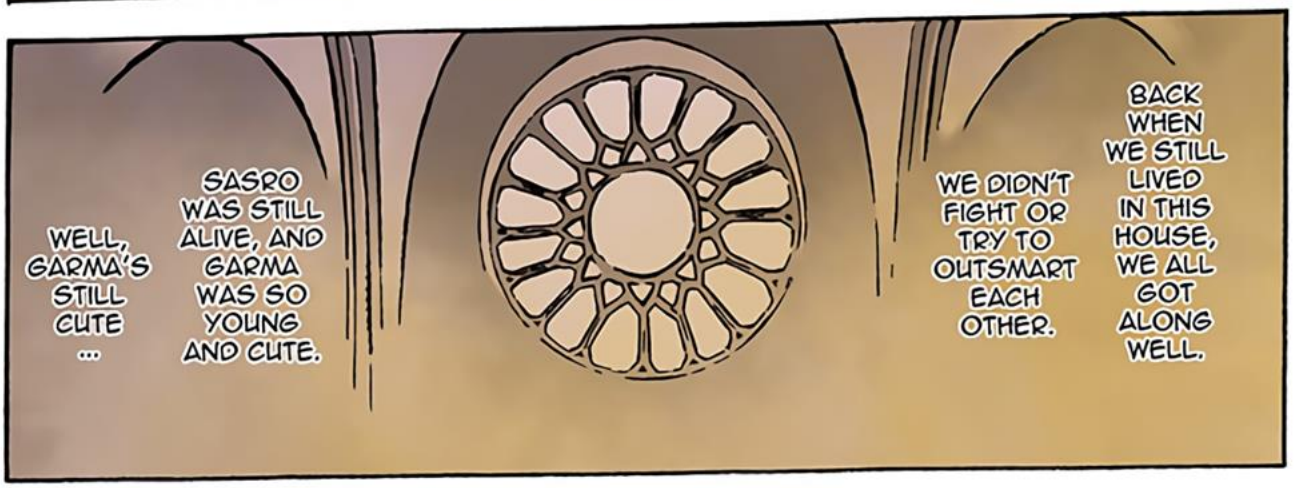
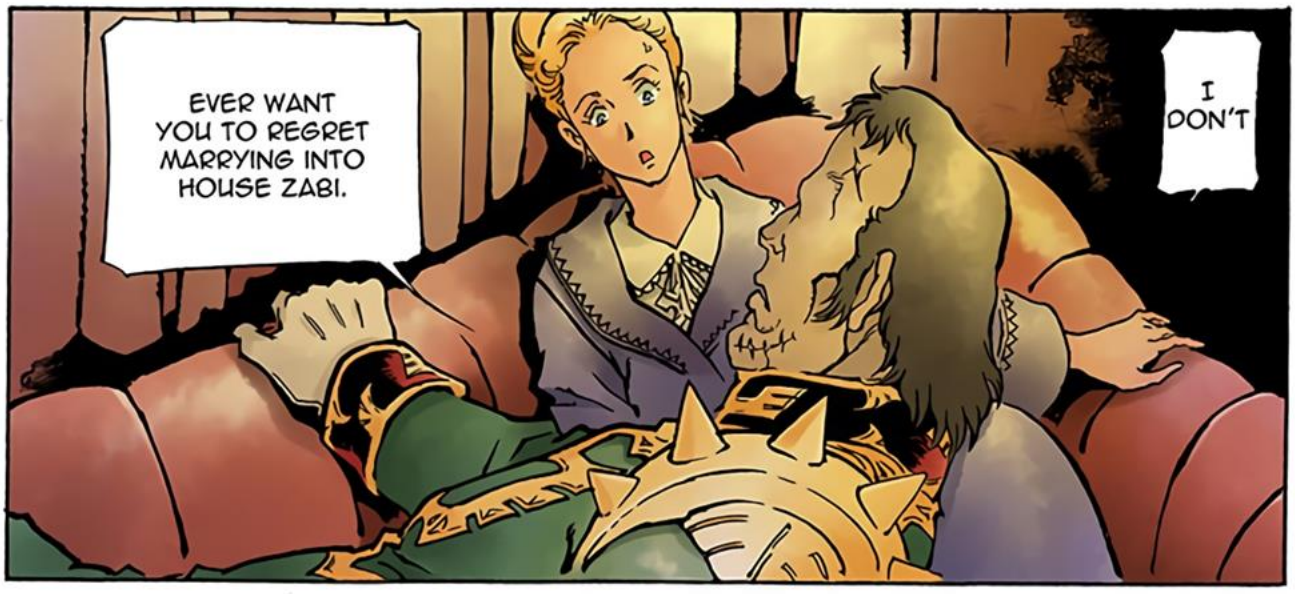
VAS
!!
I'VE
KILLED
TENS
OF
AAAA
NNGH!

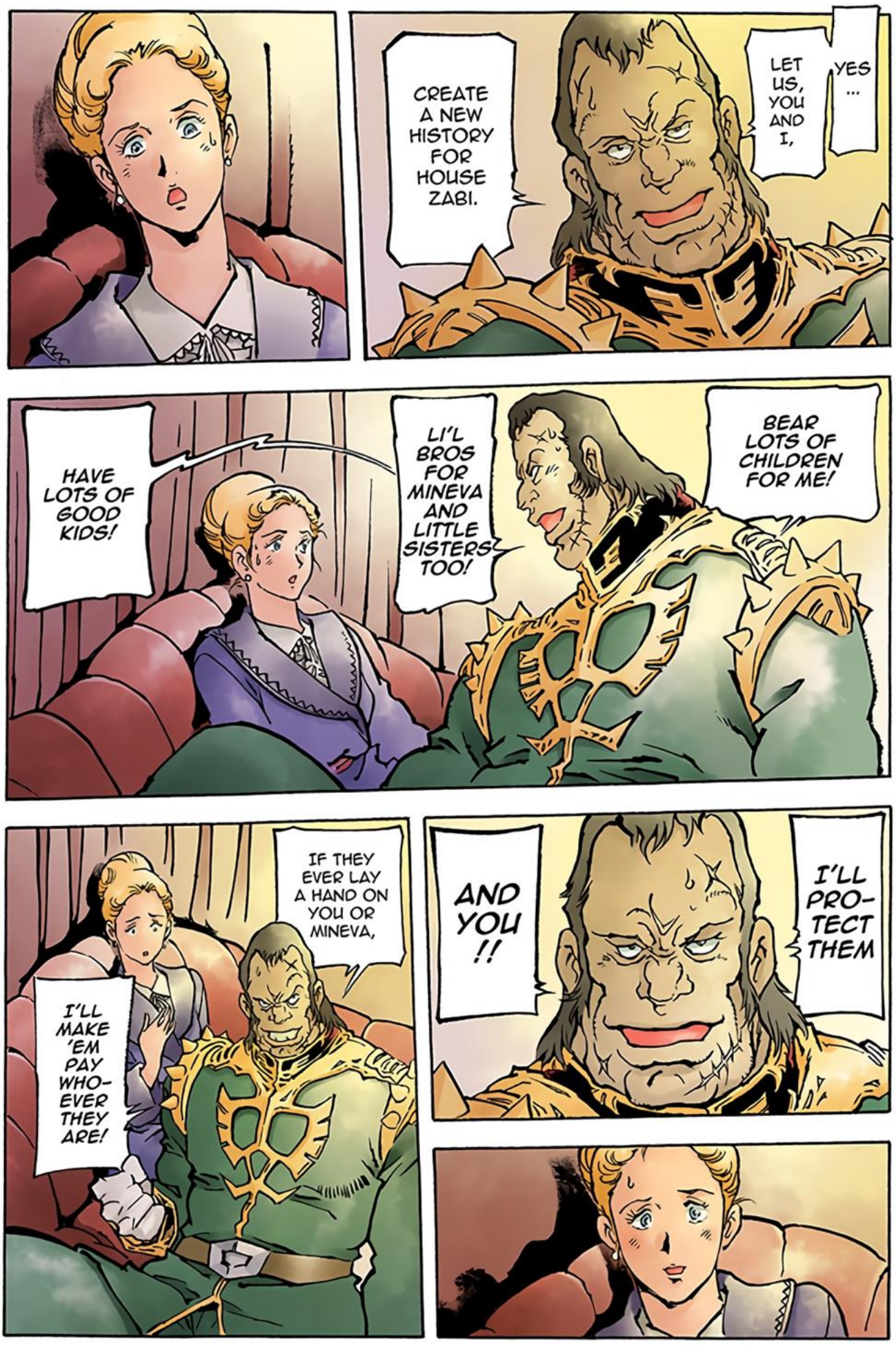

I BET I DO...
LIKE THE DEVIL, OR A FIEND?
DO I LOOK
IS MY FACE FRIGHTFUL AFTER ALL?
MINEVA BURST INTO TEARS WHEN SHE SAW MY FACE ...
BECAUSE SHE FELT SLEEPY.
JUST CRANKY
MINEVA WAS
NO, YOU DON'T, DEAR.
I HOPE THAT'S IT...
YOU REALLY THINK SO?
THAT'S ALL?

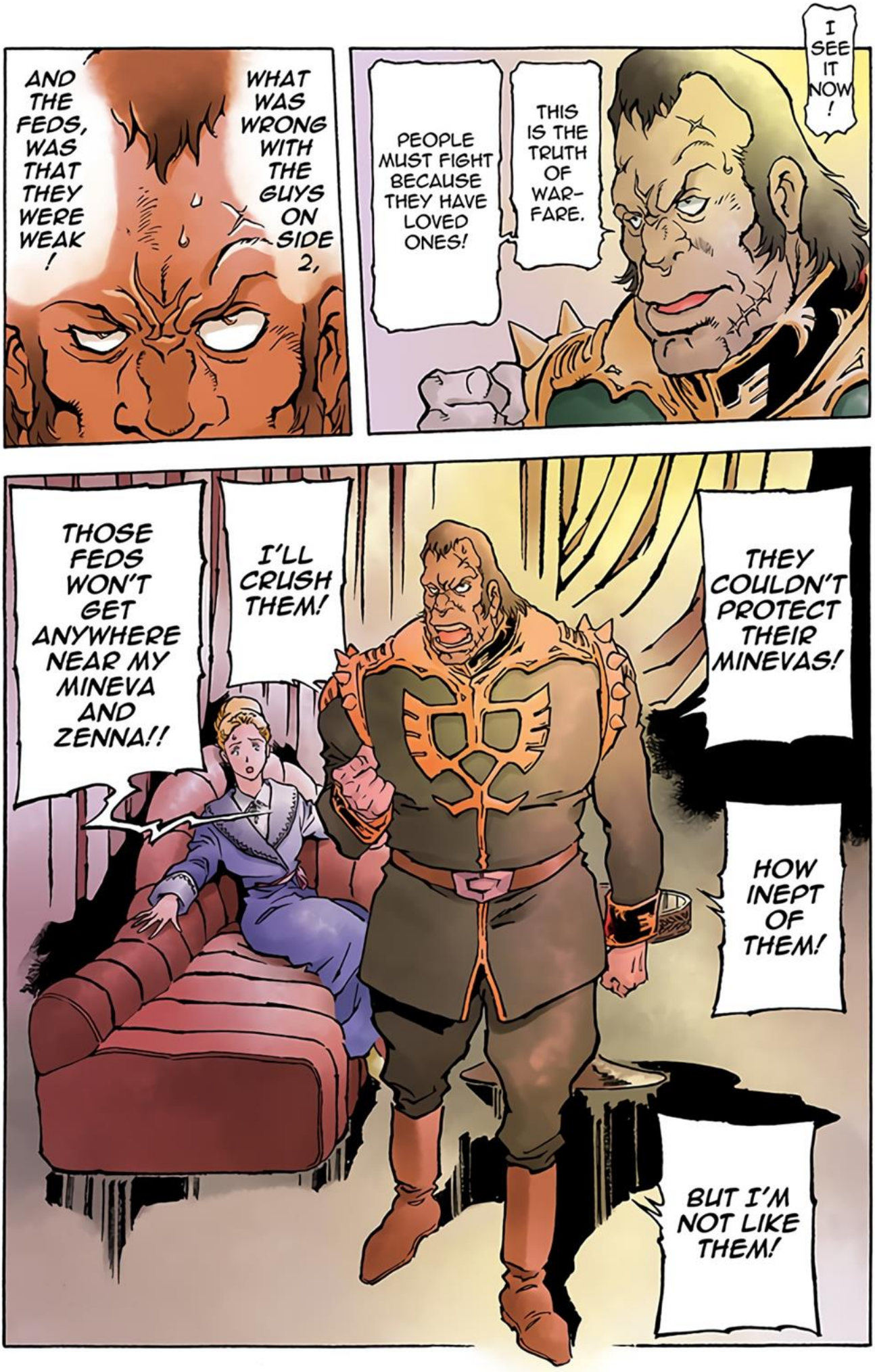
HOUSE ZABI USED TO BE A BETTER FAMILY.


BACK WHEN WE STILL LIVED IN THIS HOUSE, WE ALL GOT ALONG WELL.
WE DIDN'T FIGHT OR TRY TO OUTSMART EACH OTHER.
SASRO WAS STILL ALIVE, AND GARMA WAS SO YOUNG AND CUTE.
WELL, GARMA'S STILL CUTE ...

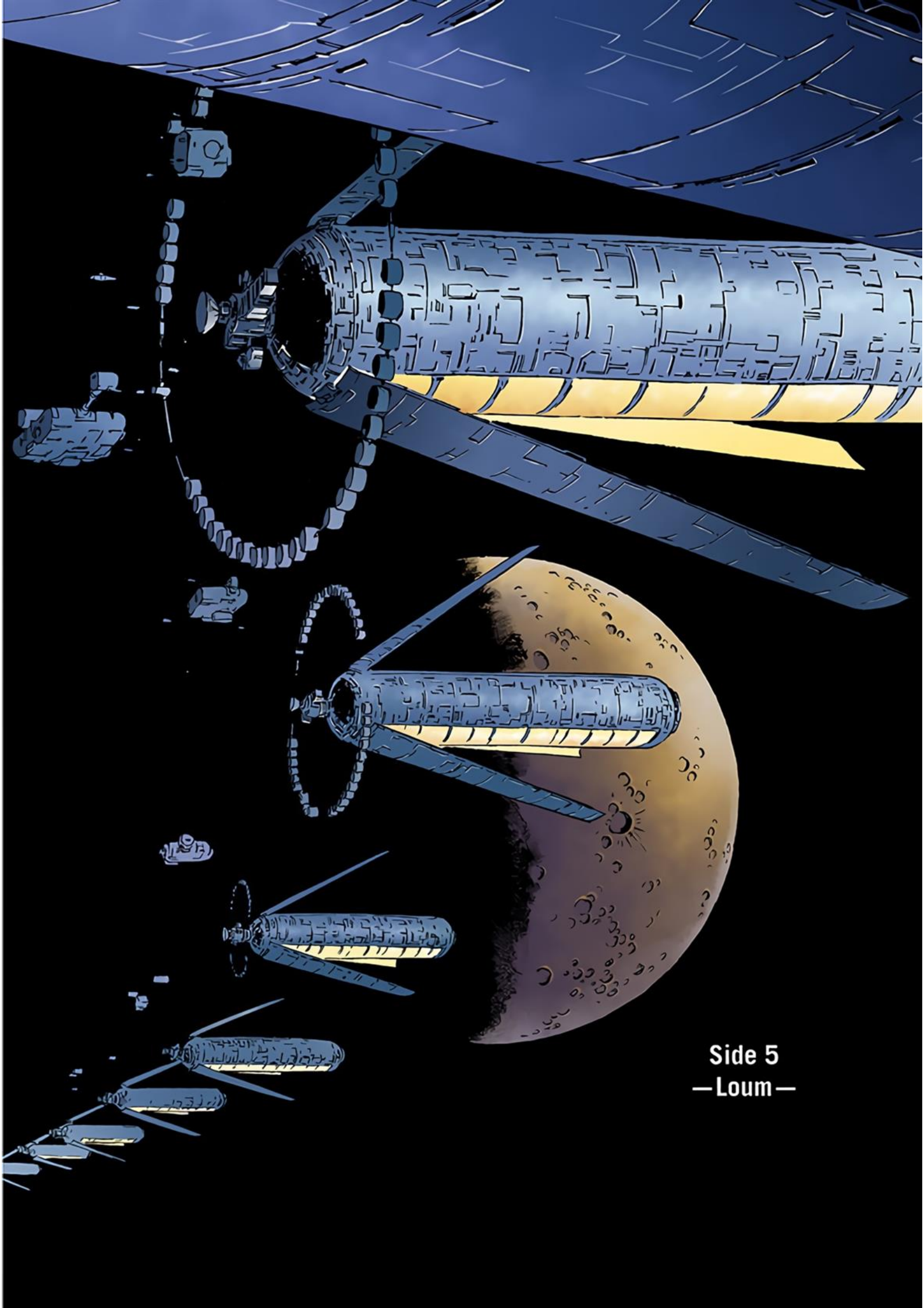
ZENNA


I DON'T
EVER WANT YOU TO REGRET MARRYING INTO HOUSE ZABI.


YES ...
LET US, YOU AND I,
CREATE A NEW HISTORY FOR HOUSE ZABI.
BEAR LOTS OF CHILDREN FOR ME!
LI'L BROS FOR MINEVA AND LITTLE SISTERS TOO!
HAVE LOTS OF GOOD KIDS!
I'LL PRO-TECT THEM
AND YOU !!
IF THEY EVER LAY A HAND ON YOU OR MINEVA,
I'LL MAKE 'EM PAY WHO-EVER THEY ARE!


I SEE IT NOW!
THIS IS THE TRUTH OF WAR-FARE.
PEOPLE MUST FIGHT BECAUSE THEY HAVE LOVED ONES!
WHAT WAS WRONG WITH THE GUYS ON SIDE 2,
AND THE FEDS, WAS THAT THEY WERE WEAK!
THEY COULDN'T PROTECT THEIR MINEVAS!
I'LL CRUSH THEM!
THOSE FEDS WON'T GET ANYWHERE NEAR MY MINEVA AND ZENNA!!
HOW INEPT OF THEM!
BUT I'M NOT LIKE THEM!

WAH
BAW WL
BWAAAAAH
OH,
DEAR !
YOUR FATHER CAN BE SO LOUD...
I'M SORRY,
...
I WILL NOT LOSE !!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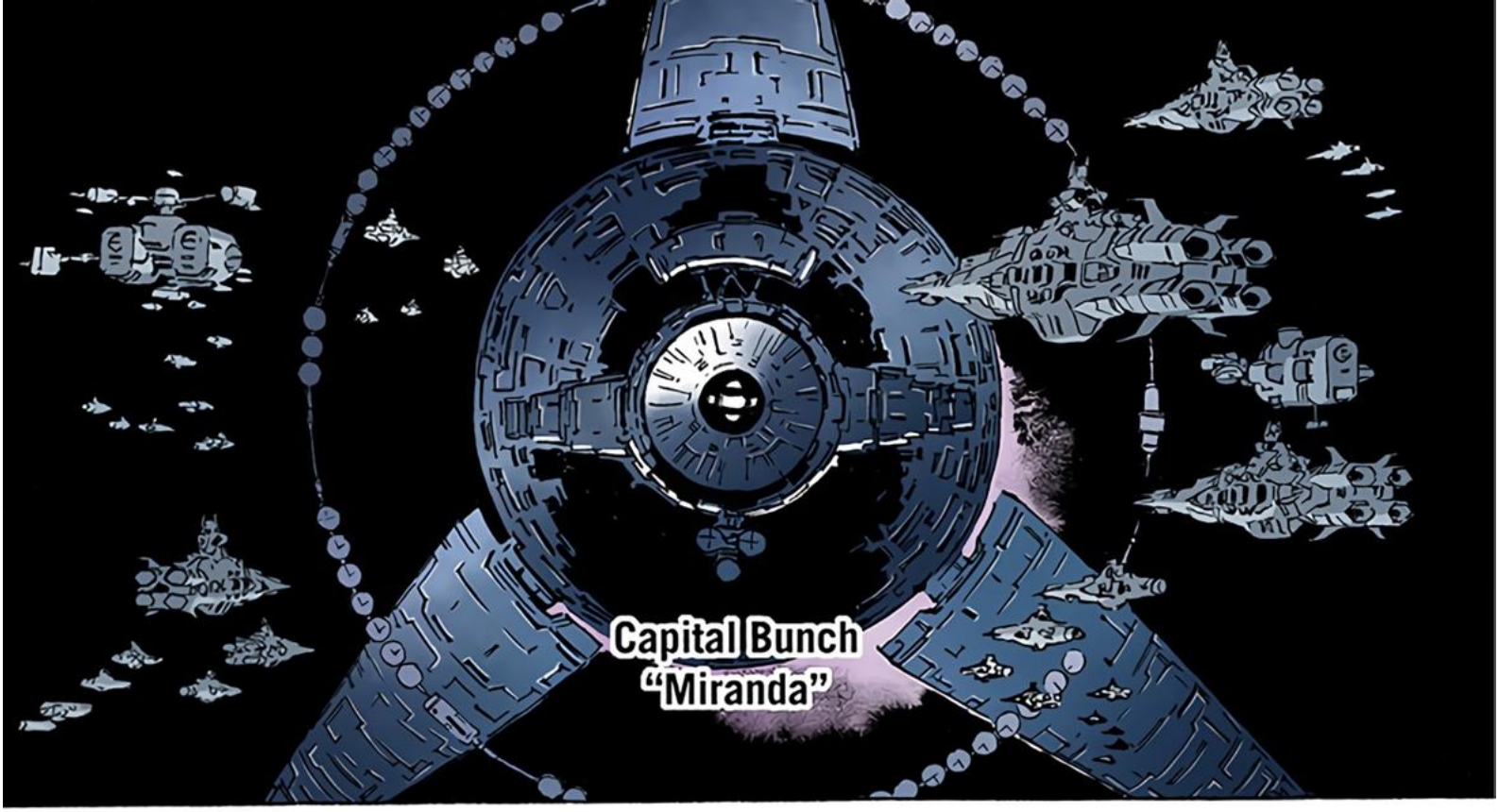
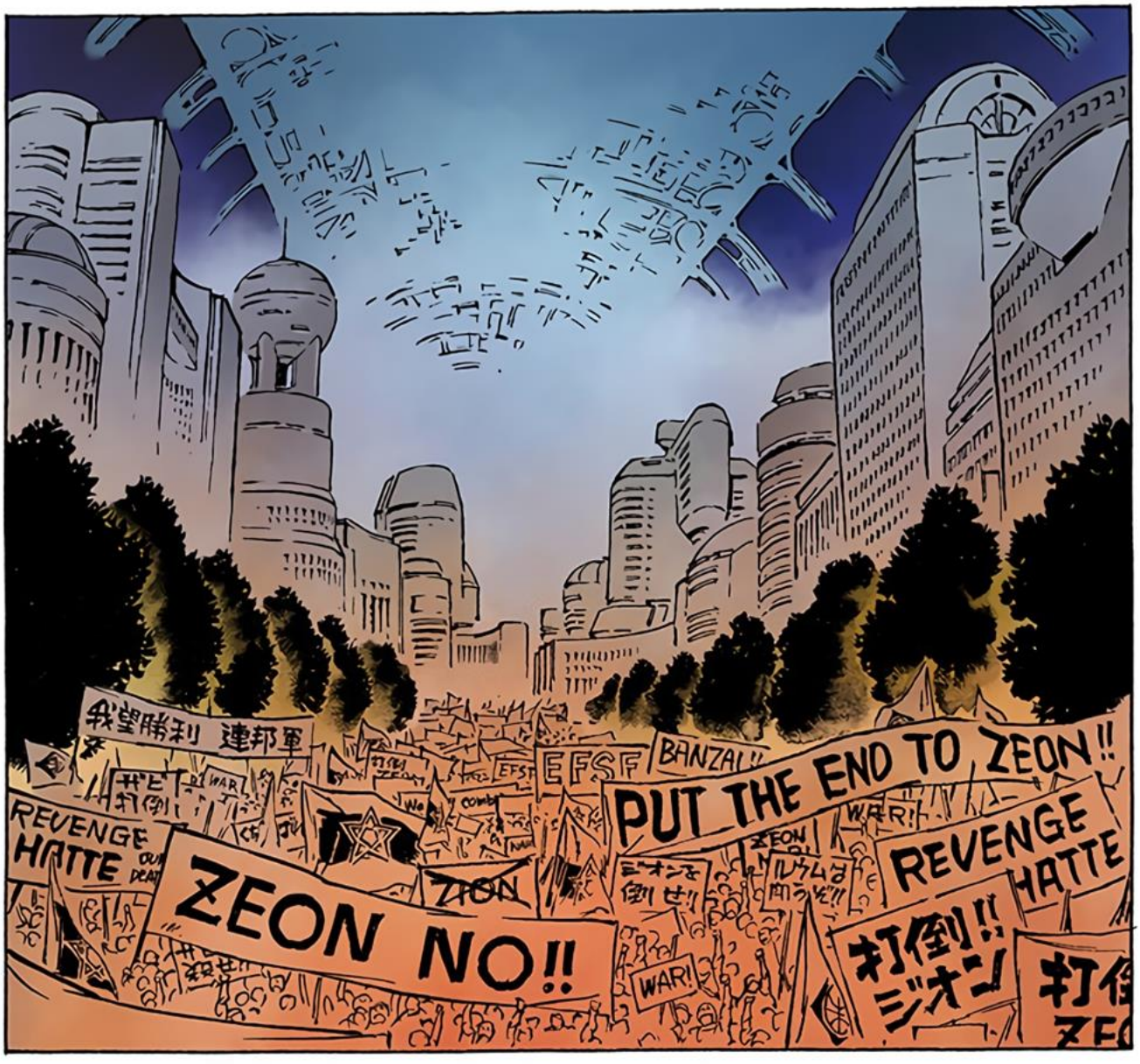
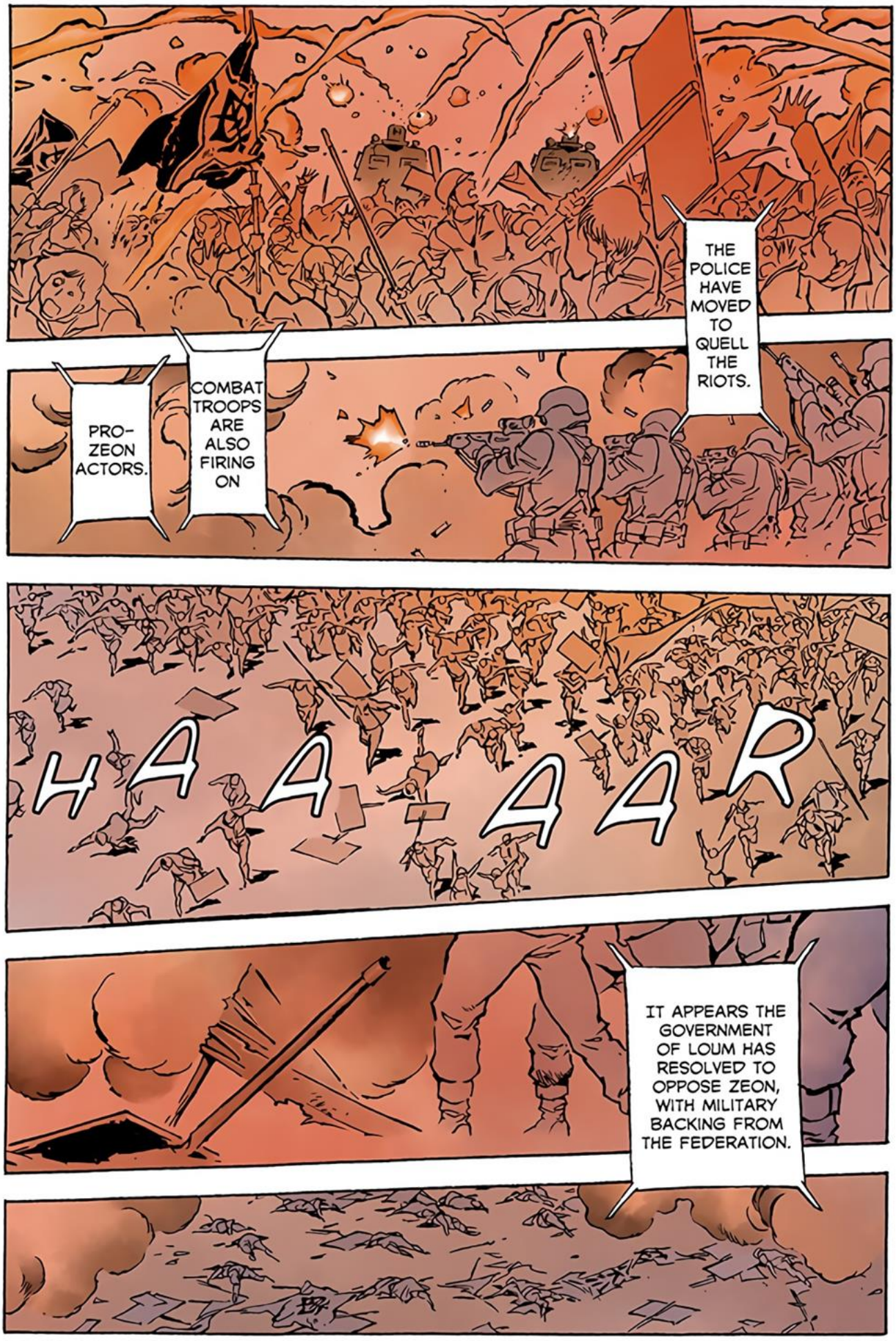
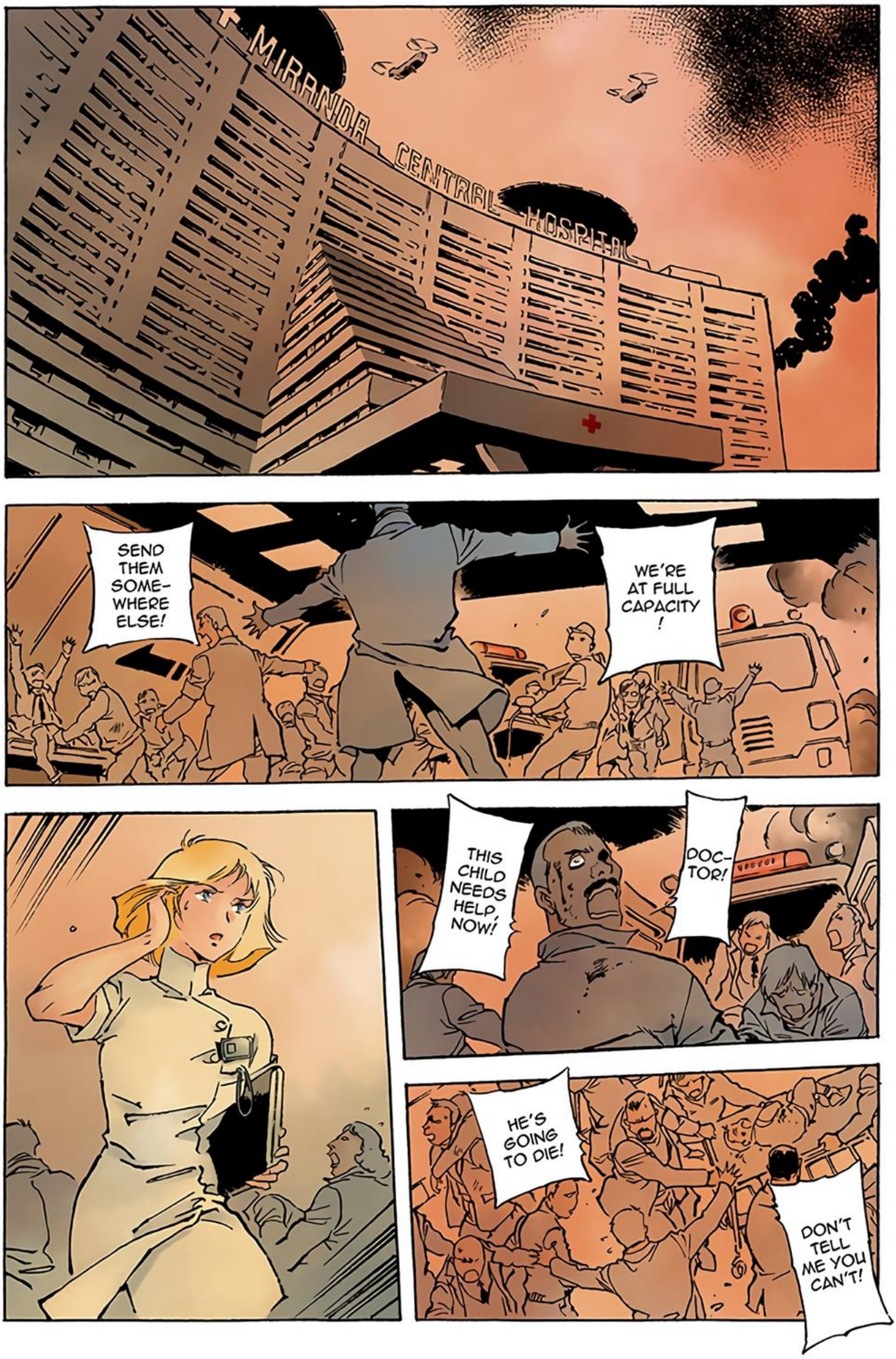
—Loum—

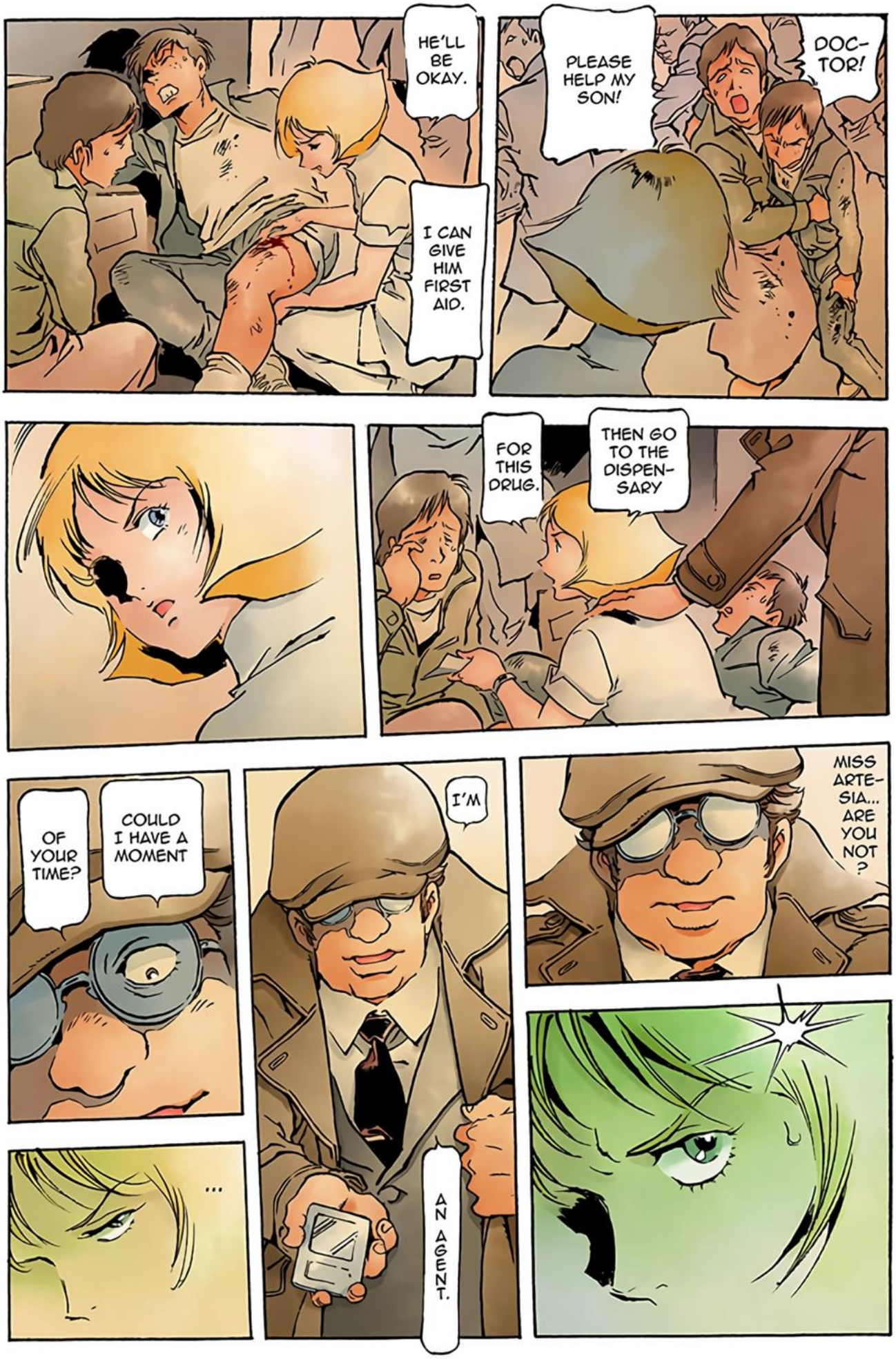

Capital Bunch
“Miranda”


我望勝利 連邦軍
EFSF
BANZAI!!
PUT THE END TO ZEON!!
REVENGE
HATTE
ZEON NO!!
ZION
WAR!
REVENGE
HATTE
打倒!!
ジオン

BANZAI DEIKU
WE SUPPORT ZEON
GET OUT
FEDS GET OUT
GET
DIE!
ZEON NO!!
SUPPORT ZEON
LONG LIVE ZEON
ZEON
ERASE ZION!
POLICE
POLICE
POLICE
POLICE
ZEON NO!!!


THE POLICE HAVE MOVED TO QUELL THE RIOTS.
COMBAT TROOPS ARE ALSO FIRING ON
PRO-ZEON ACTORS.
HAAAAAR
IT APPEARS THE GOVERNMENT OF LOUM HAS RESOLVED TO OPPOSE ZEON, WITH MILITARY BACKING FROM THE FEDERATION.


MIRANDA CENTRAL HOSPITAL
SEND THEM SOME-WHERE ELSE!
WE'RE AT FULL CAPACITY!
THIS CHILD NEEDS HELP NOW!
DOC-TOR!
HE'S GOING TO DIE!
DON'T TELL ME YOU CAN'T!


HE'LL BE OKAY.
I CAN GIVE HIM FIRST AID.
DOC-TOR!
PLEASE HELP MY SON!
THEN GO TO THE DISPEN-SARY
FOR THIS DRUG.
MISS ARTE-SIA... ARE YOU NOT ?
I'M
AN AGENT.
COULD I HAVE A MOMENT
OF YOUR TIME?
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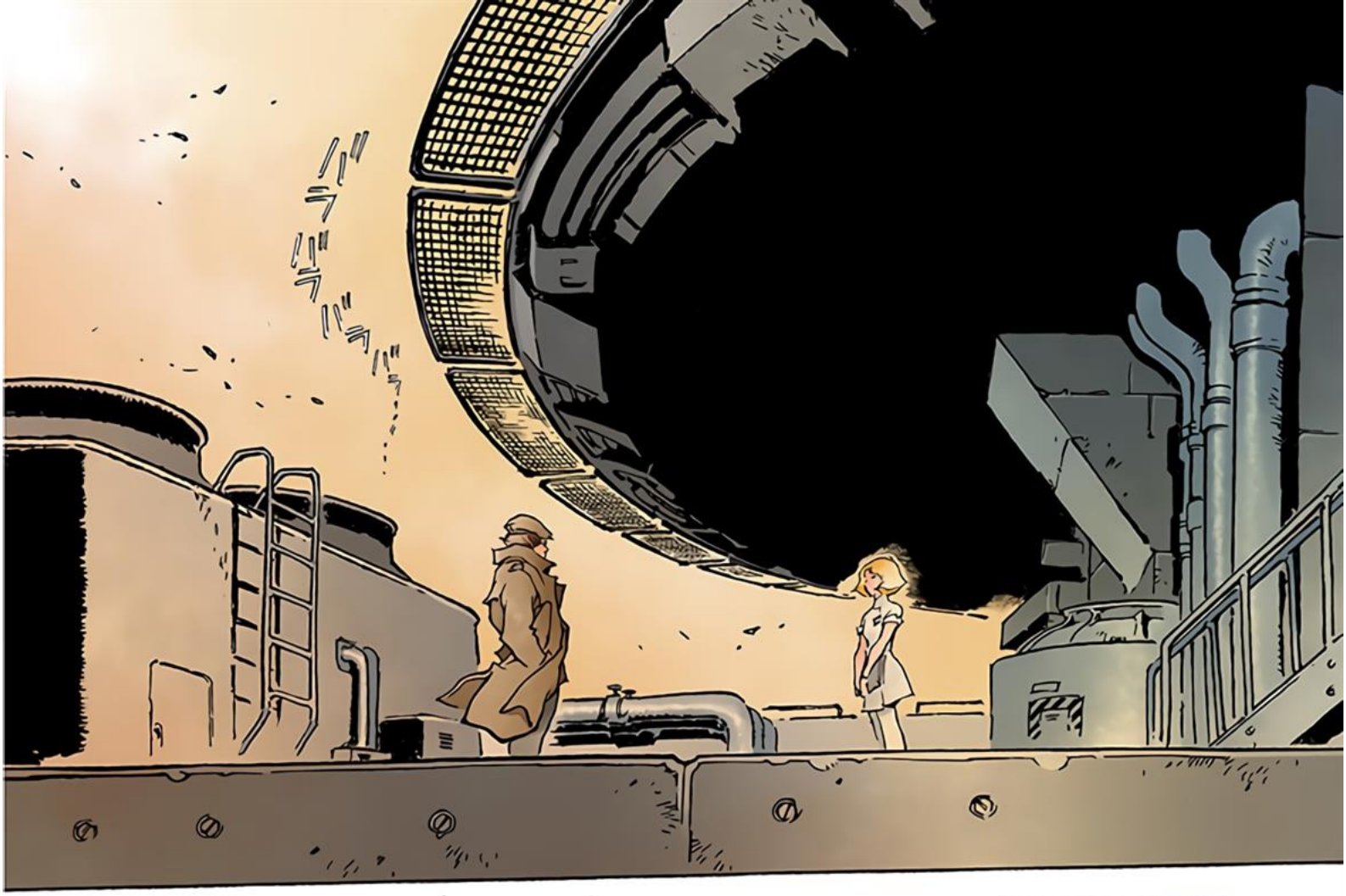
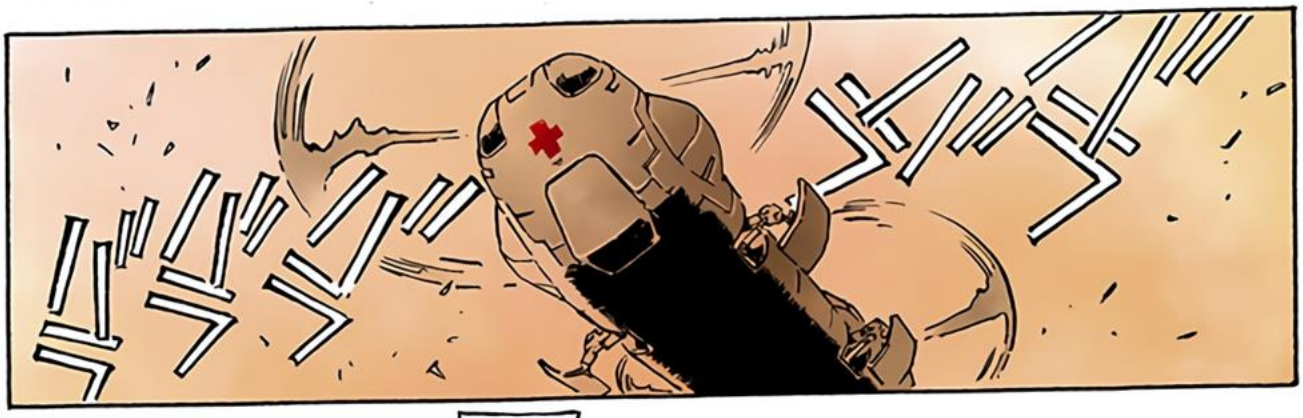
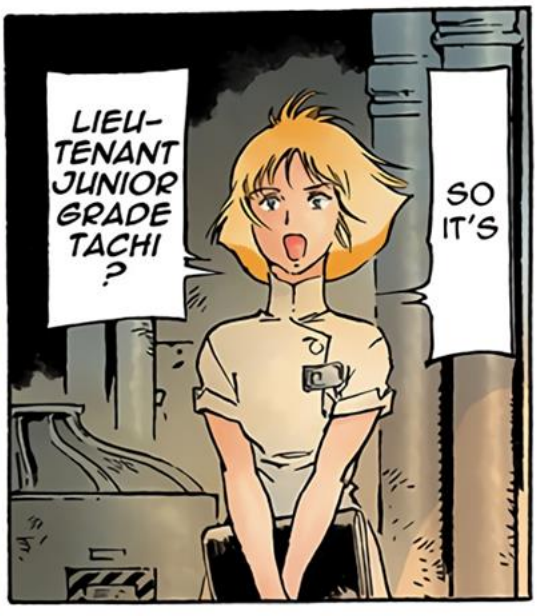
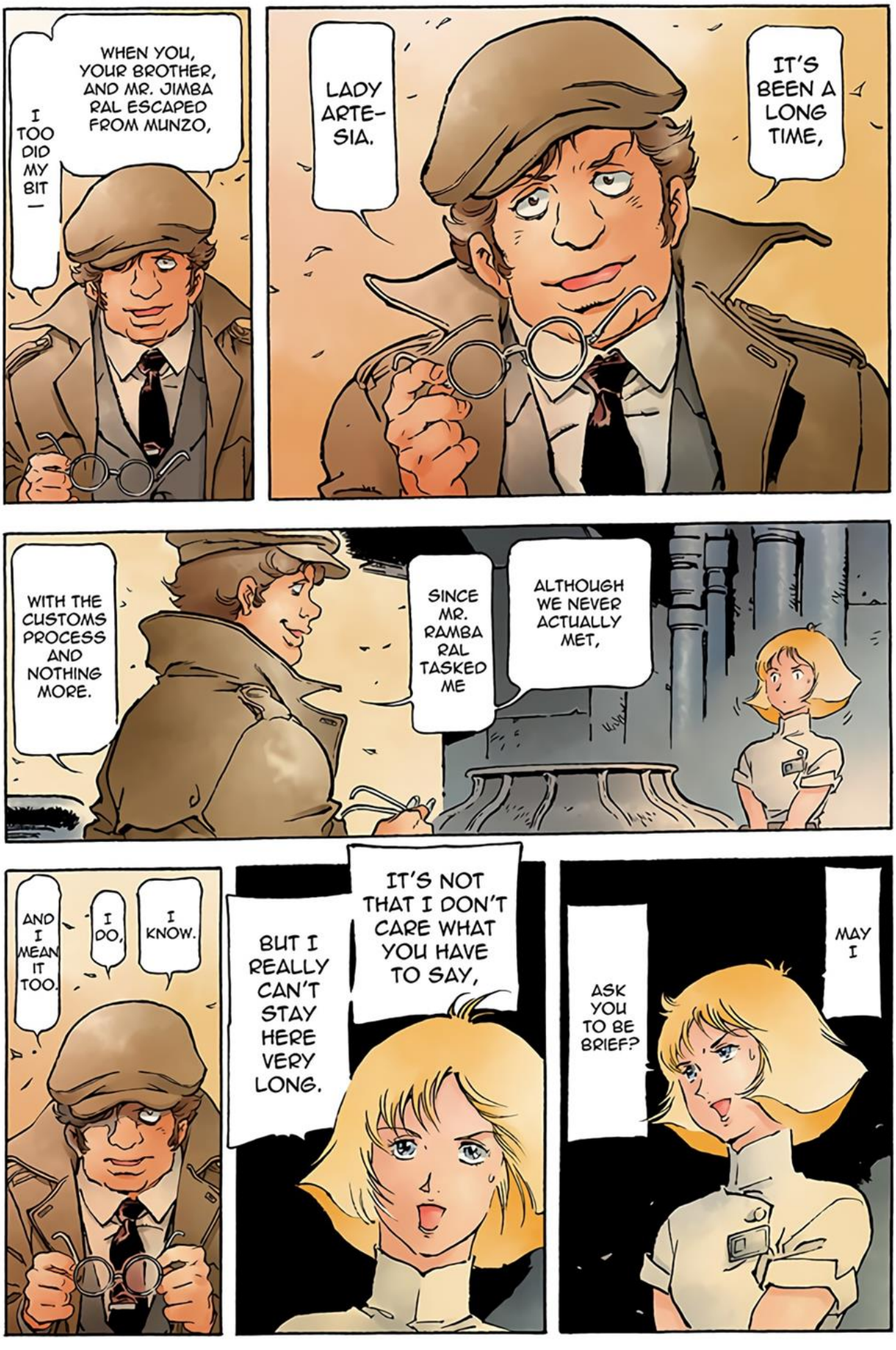
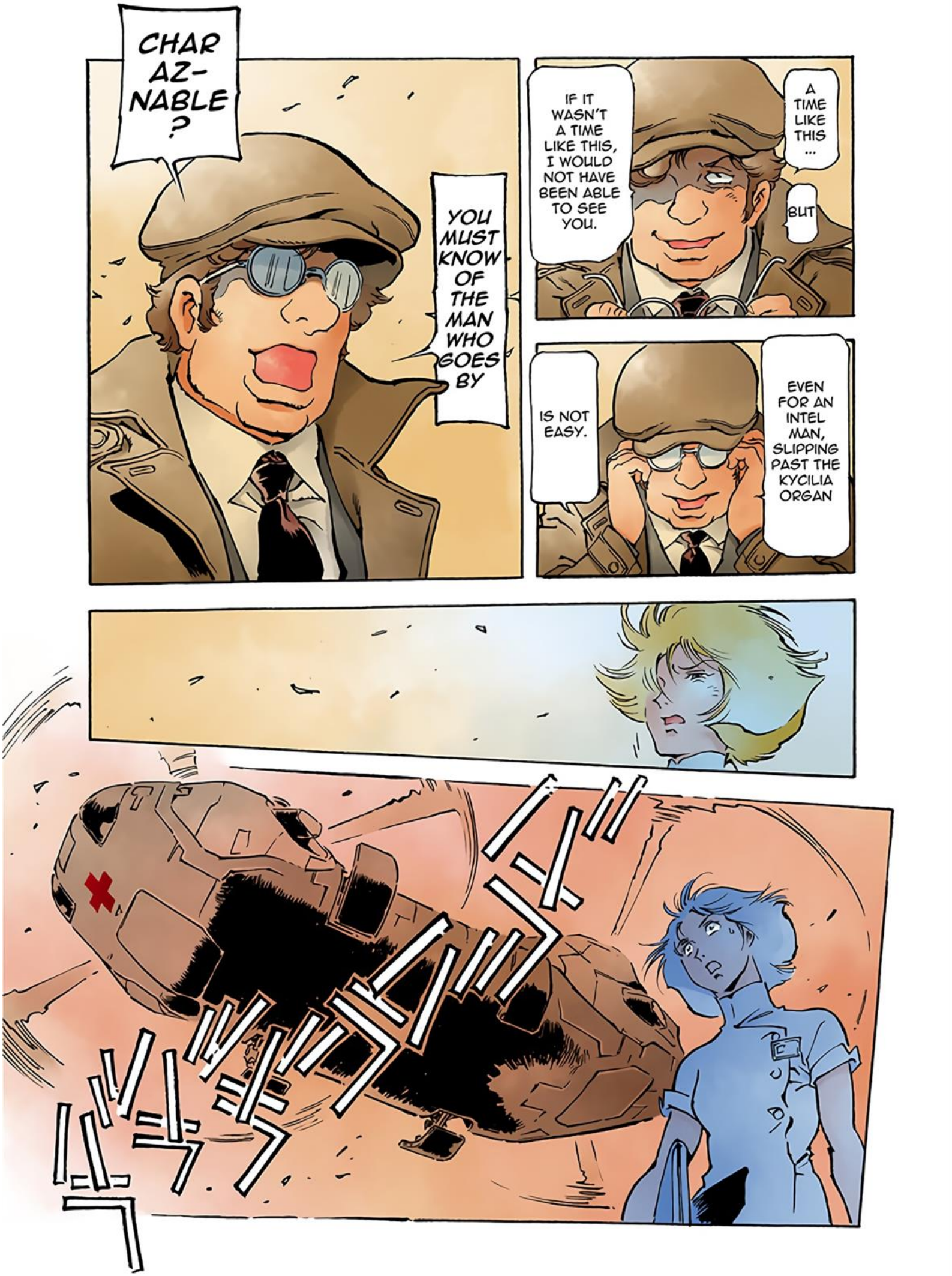


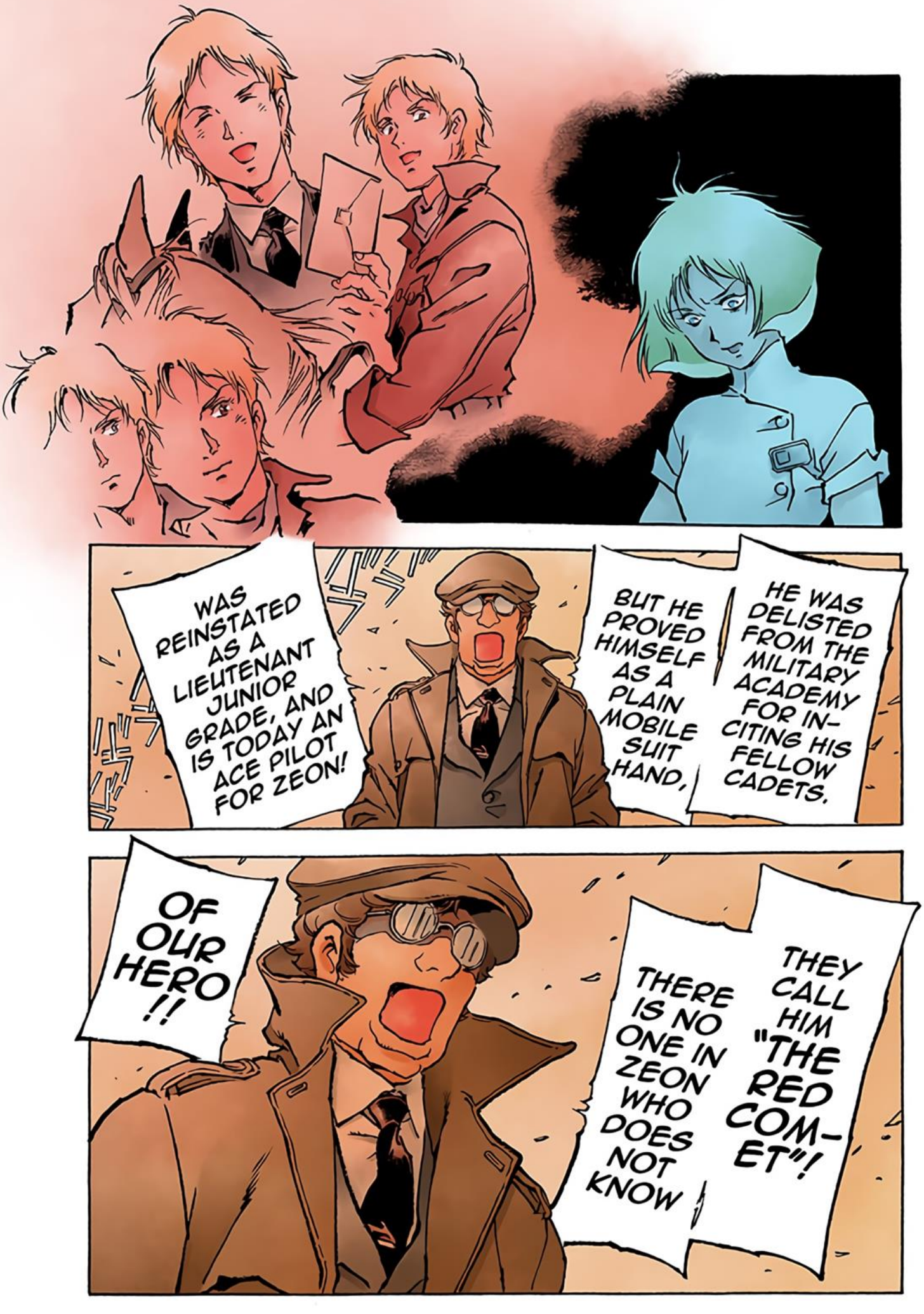


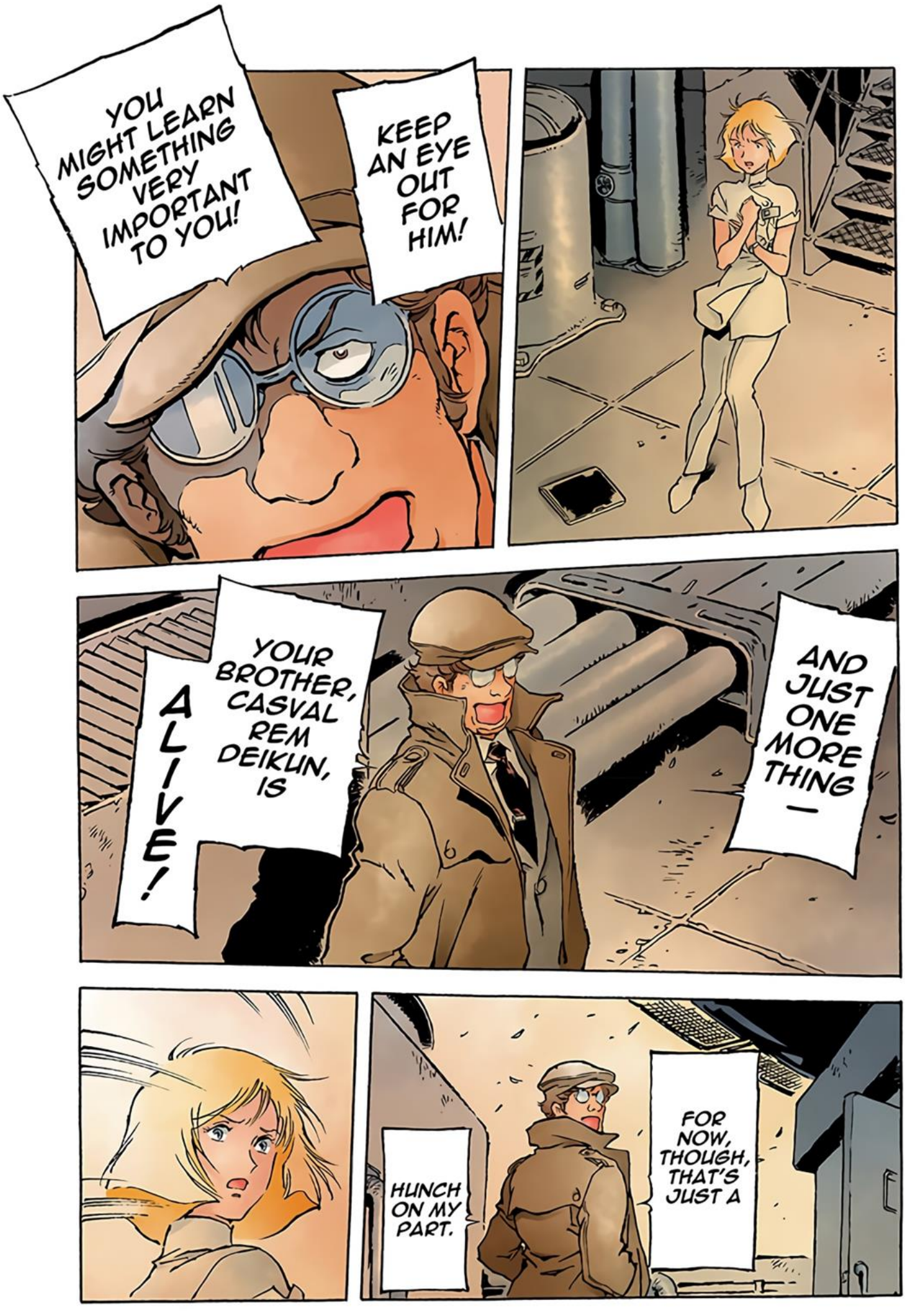
YOU'RE AN ODD MAN.
I DON'T THINK
I'VE EVER HAD A SPY FLASH HIS ID AT ME BEFORE.

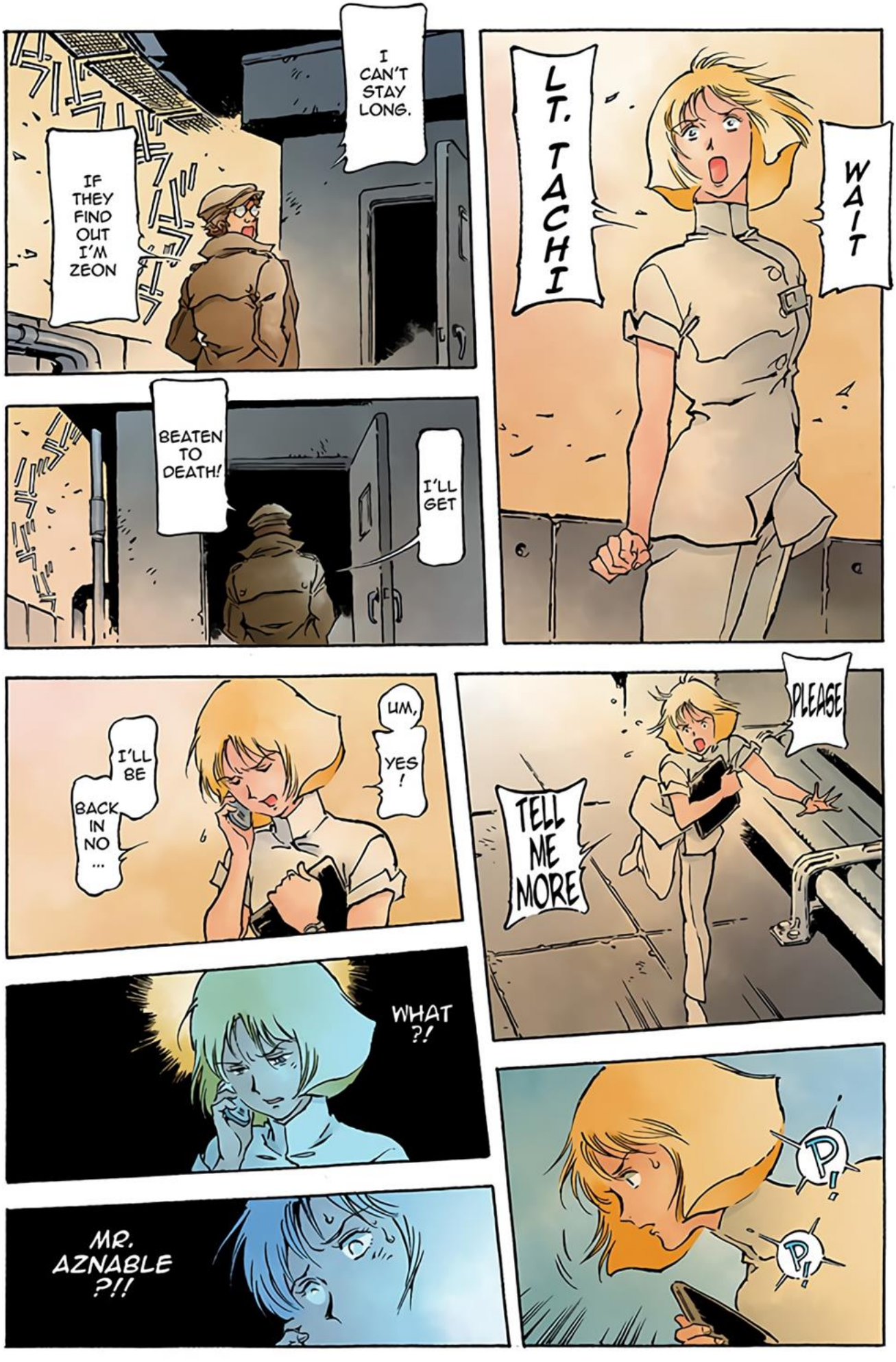

LIEU-TENANT JUNIOR GRADE TACHI ?
SO IT'S

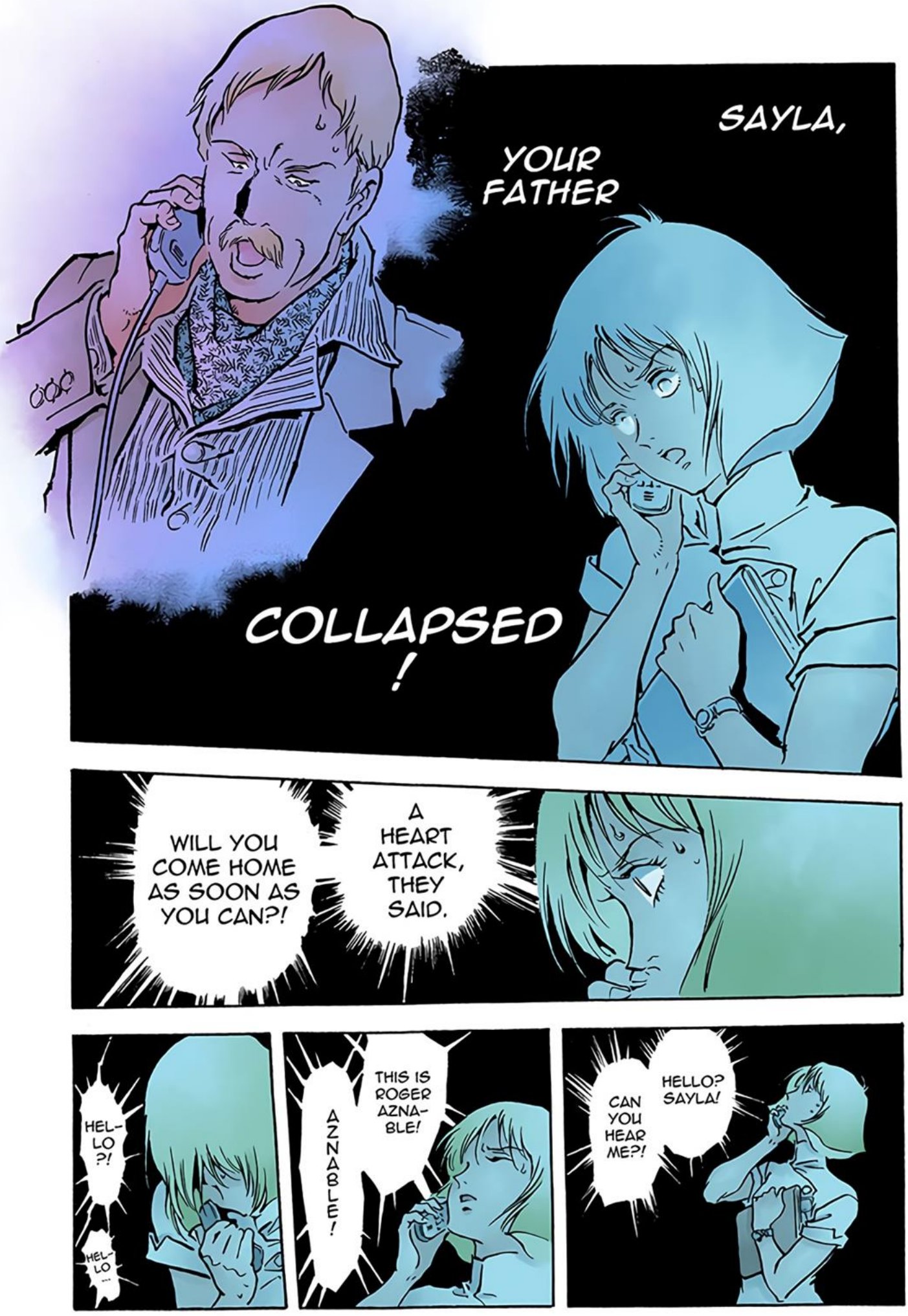

WHEN YOU, YOUR BROTHER, AND MR. JIMBA RAL ESCAPED FROM MUNZO,
I TOO DID MY BIT —
LADY ARTE-SIA.
IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME,
WITH THE CUSTOMS PROCESS AND NOTHING MORE.
SINCE MR. RAMBA RAL TASKED ME
ALTHOUGH WE NEVER ACTUALLY MET,
AND I MEAN IT TOO.
I DO,
I KNOW.
BUT I REALLY CAN'T STAY HERE VERY LONG.
IT'S NOT THAT I DON'T CARE WHAT YOU HAVE TO SAY,
ASK YOU TO BE BRIEF?
MAY I

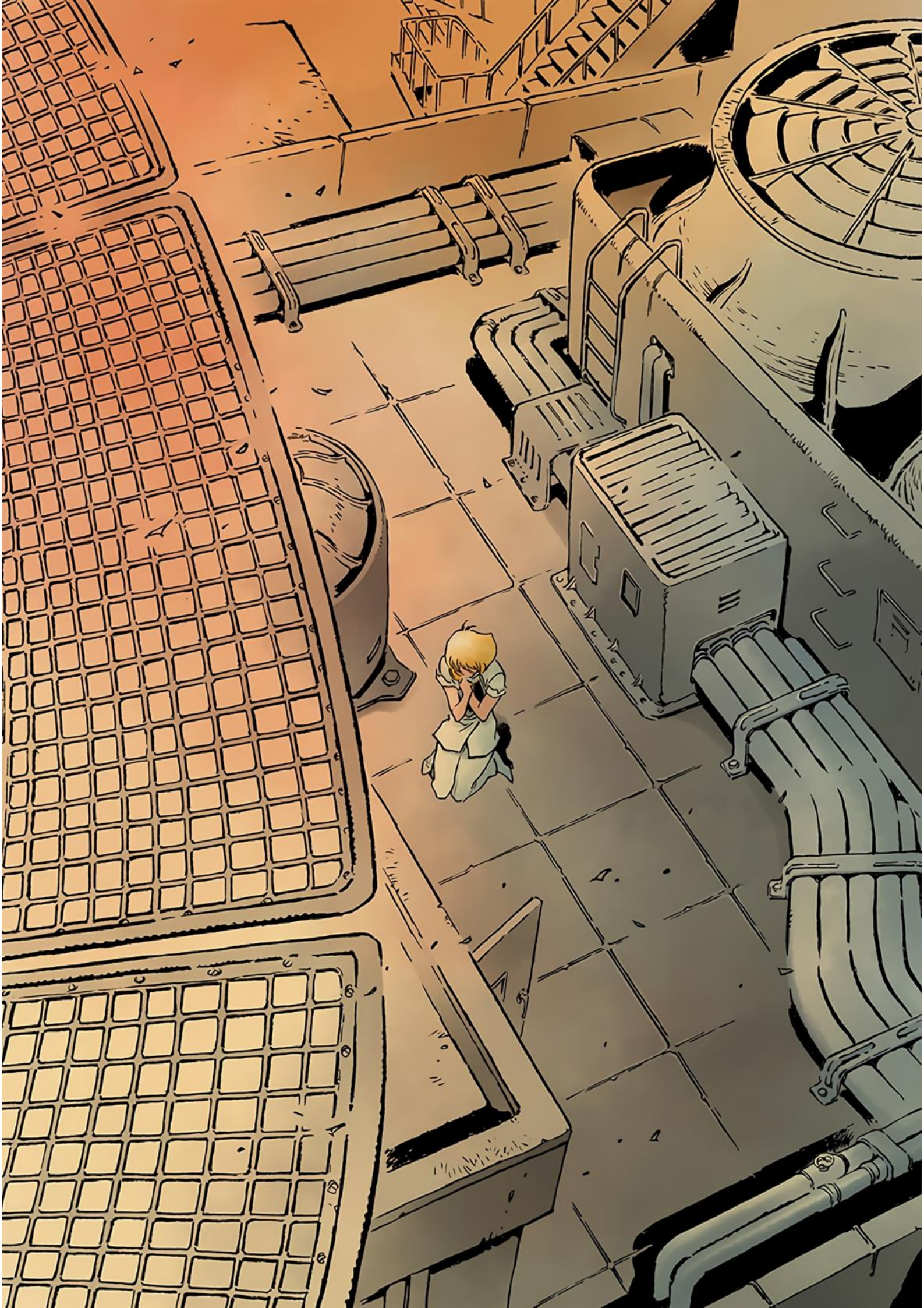

CHAR AZ-NABLE ?
YOU MUST KNOW OF THE MAN WHO GOES BY
A TIME LIKE THIS ...
BUT
IF IT WASN'T A TIME LIKE THIS, I WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN ABLE TO SEE YOU.
EVEN FOR AN INTEL MAN, SLIPPING PAST THE KYCILIA ORGAN
IS NOT EASY.

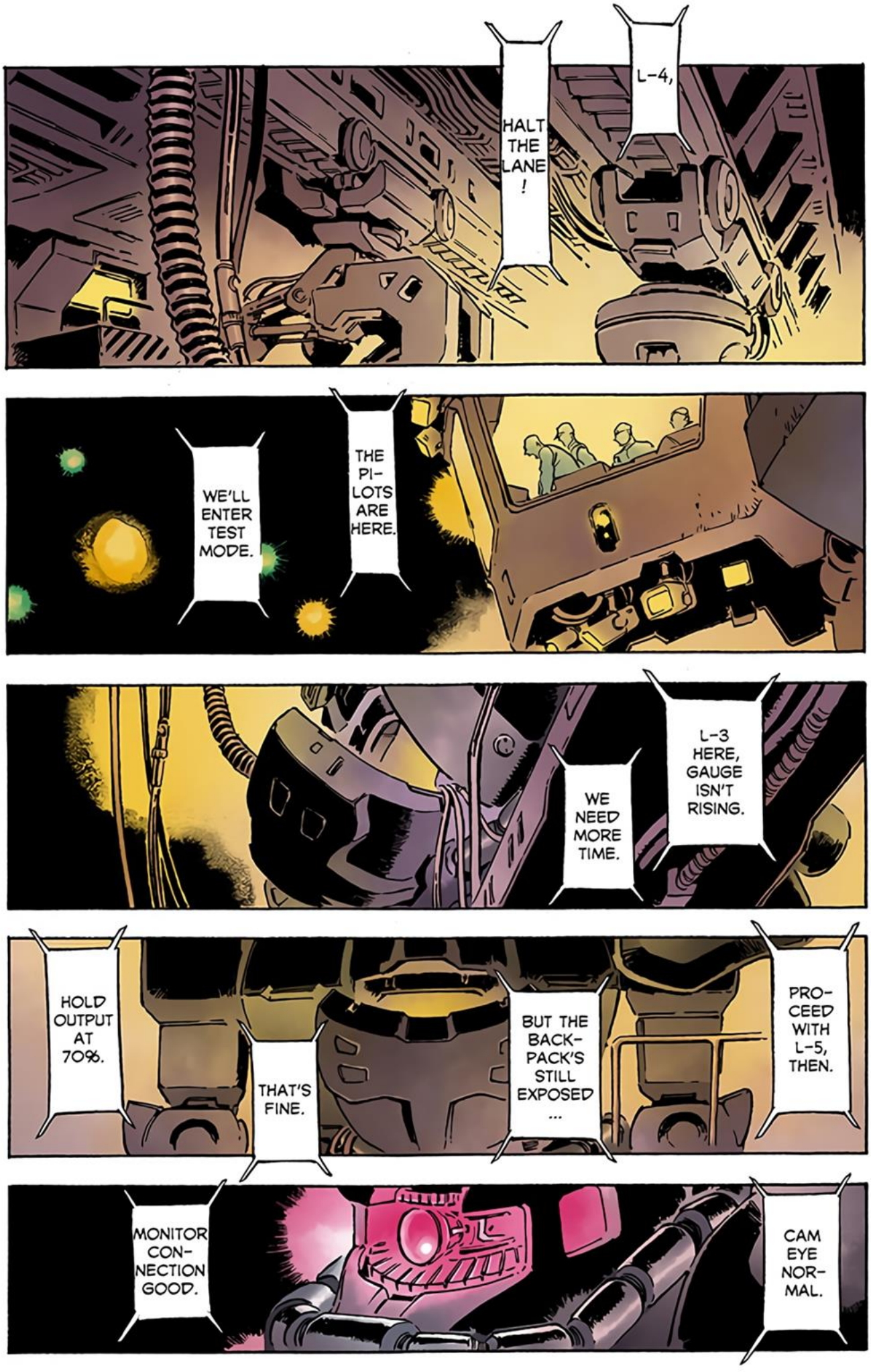

HE WAS DELISTED FROM THE MILITARY ACADEMY FOR INCITING HIS FELLOW CADETS.
BUT HE PROVED HIMSELF AS A PLAIN MOBILE SUIT HAND,
WAS REINSTATED AS A LIEUTENANT JUNIOR GRADE, AND IS TODAY AN ACE PILOT FOR ZEON!
THEY CALL HIM "THE RED COMET"!
THERE IS NO ONE IN ZEON WHO DOES NOT KNOW
OF OUR HERO!!

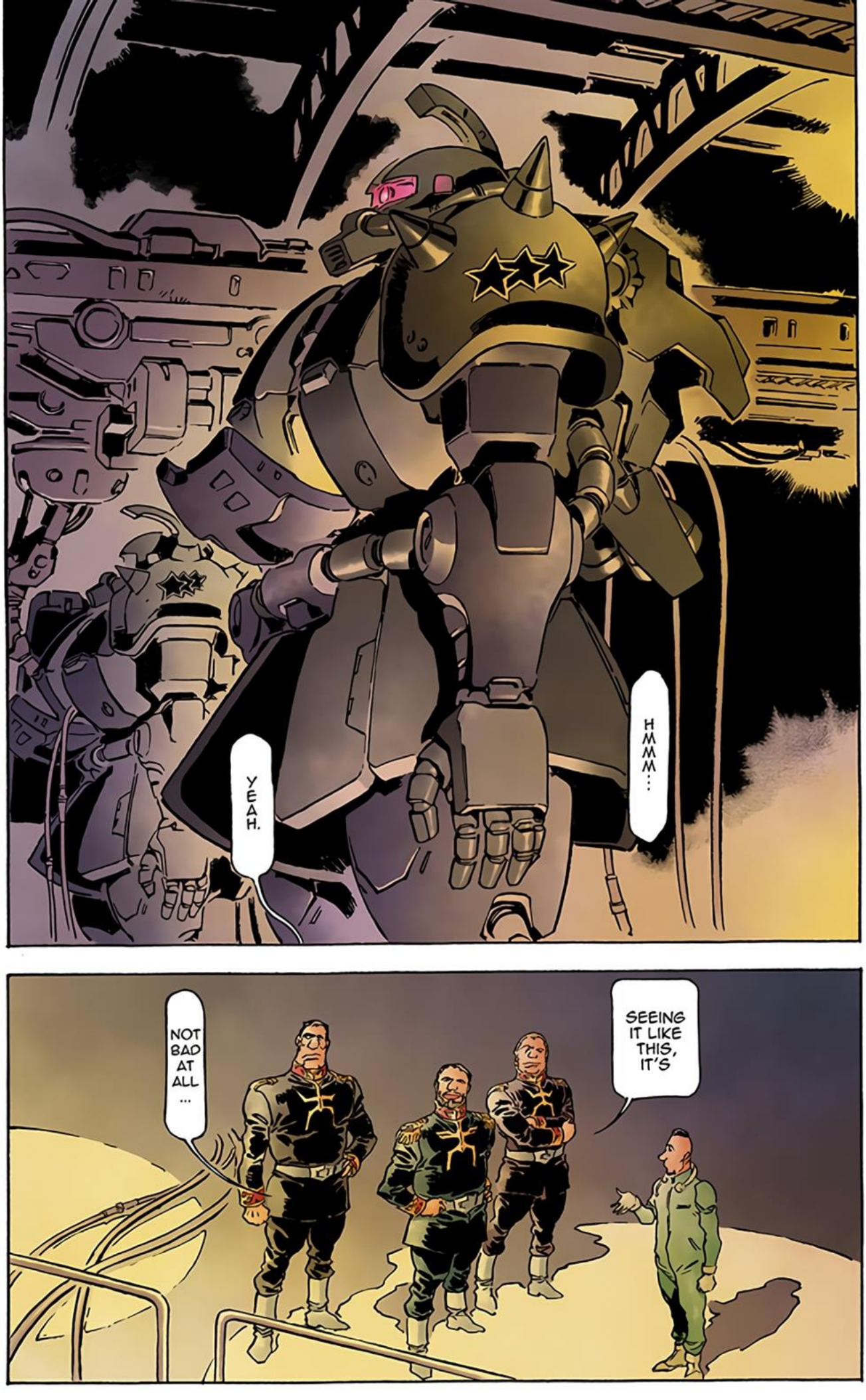

YOU MIGHT LEARN SOMETHING VERY IMPORTANT TO YOU!
KEEP AN EYE OUT FOR HIM!
AND JUST ONE MORE THING —
YOUR BROTHER, CASVAL REM DEIKUN, IS
ALIVE!
FOR NOW, THOUGH, THAT'S JUST A
HUNCH ON MY PART.


I CAN'T STAY LONG.
IF THEY FIND OUT I'M ZEON
LT. TACHI
WAIT
BEATEN TO DEATH!
I'LL GET
UM, YES!
I'LL BE BACK IN NO ...
PLEASE
TELL ME MORE
WHAT ?!
P!
P!
MR. AZNABLE ?!!


SAYLA,
YOUR FATHER
COLLAPSED!
A HEART ATTACK, THEY SAID.
WILL YOU COME HOME AS SOON AS YOU CAN?!
HELLO?!
HELLO...
THIS IS ROGER AZNABLE!
AZNABLE!
HELLO? SAYLA!
CAN YOU HEAR ME?!

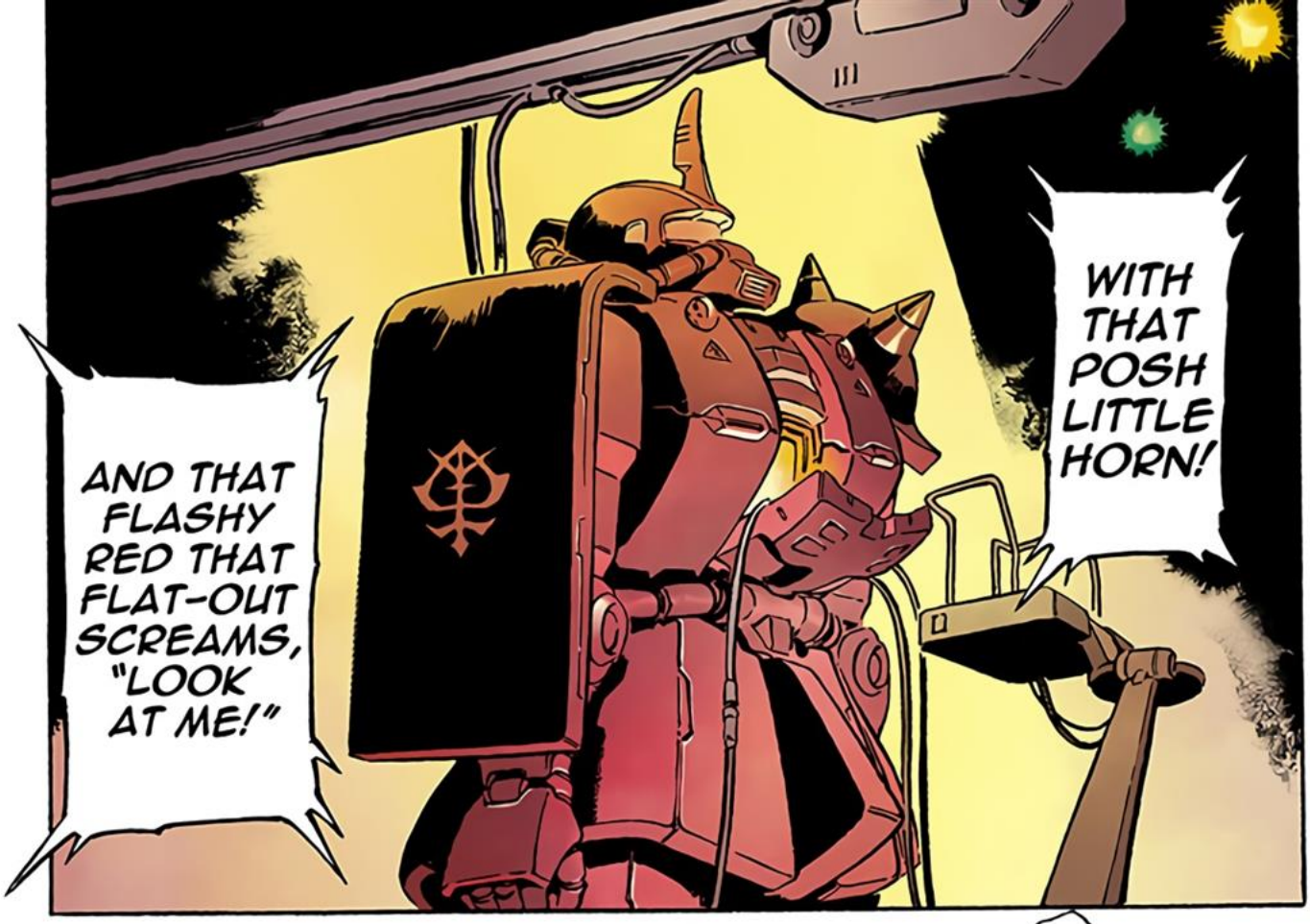



L-4,
HALT THE LANE!
THE PI-LOTS ARE HERE.
WE'LL ENTER TEST MODE.
L-3 HERE, GAUGE ISN'T RISING.
WE NEED MORE TIME.
PRO-CEED WITH L-5, THEN.
BUT THE BACK-PACK'S STILL EXPOSED ...
THAT'S FINE.
HOLD OUTPUT AT 70%.
CAM EYE NOR-MAL.
MONITOR CON-NECTION GOOD.


HMMM...
YEAH.
SEEING IT LIKE THIS, IT'S
NOT BAD AT ALL ...

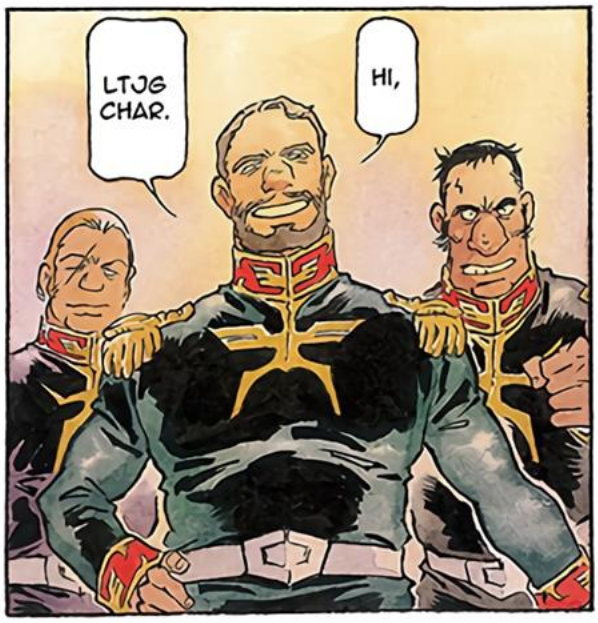
IT'S NOT QUITE DONE YET,
BUT WE'RE FITTING A MORE POWERFUL ENGINE TO THE BACK-PACK.
NOZZLE MOBILITY RANGE IS IN-CREASED BY 50%
VRRR
VRRR
AND THE FINS ON THE SIDES ARE CUSTOM-MADE.
BUT THE BEST PART, OF COURSE, IS THE LEGS.
TAKE A LOOK.
THE LEGS ARE THE SOURCE OF A MOBILE SUIT'S MANEUVER-ABILITY.
WE ADDED MORE VERNIER THRUSTERS, AND A DROP TANK, TOO.
THRUST IS UP BY 100%.
AND NATURALLY, IN THE FIELD, IT'LL BE DECKED OUT WITH SPECIALIZED ARMOR!
HMM
I LIKE IT!
WHAT I'M DIGGING MOST
IS THAT STAR LOGO!

IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE LOOK GOOD OUT THERE.
...
THIS IS MORE LIKE IT!
NEVER CARED FOR THE GREENISH PAINT JOB ON THE MS-06, BUT...
M-HM.
I LIKE THE ORIGINAL DEEP PURPLE, TOO.
HM ?
HRMMM
FLINCH
WHAT THE HELL'S THAT?!
THAT THING !!
THE ONE ON THE OTHER LINE!

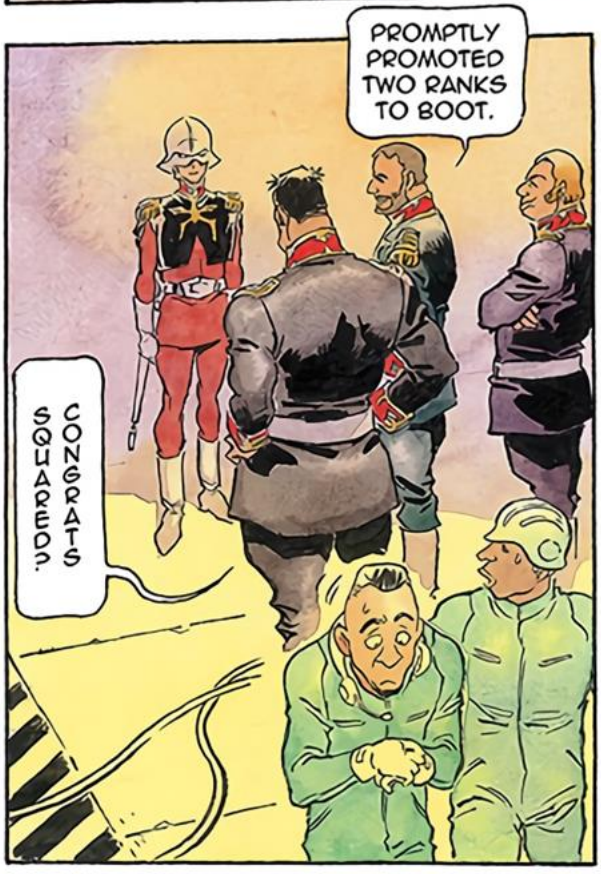

WITH THAT POSH LITTLE HORN!
AND THAT FLASHY RED THAT FLAT-OUT SCREAMS, "LOOK AT ME!"

ONLY HE WOULD MAKE A REQUEST LIKE THAT.
THE LI'L ...

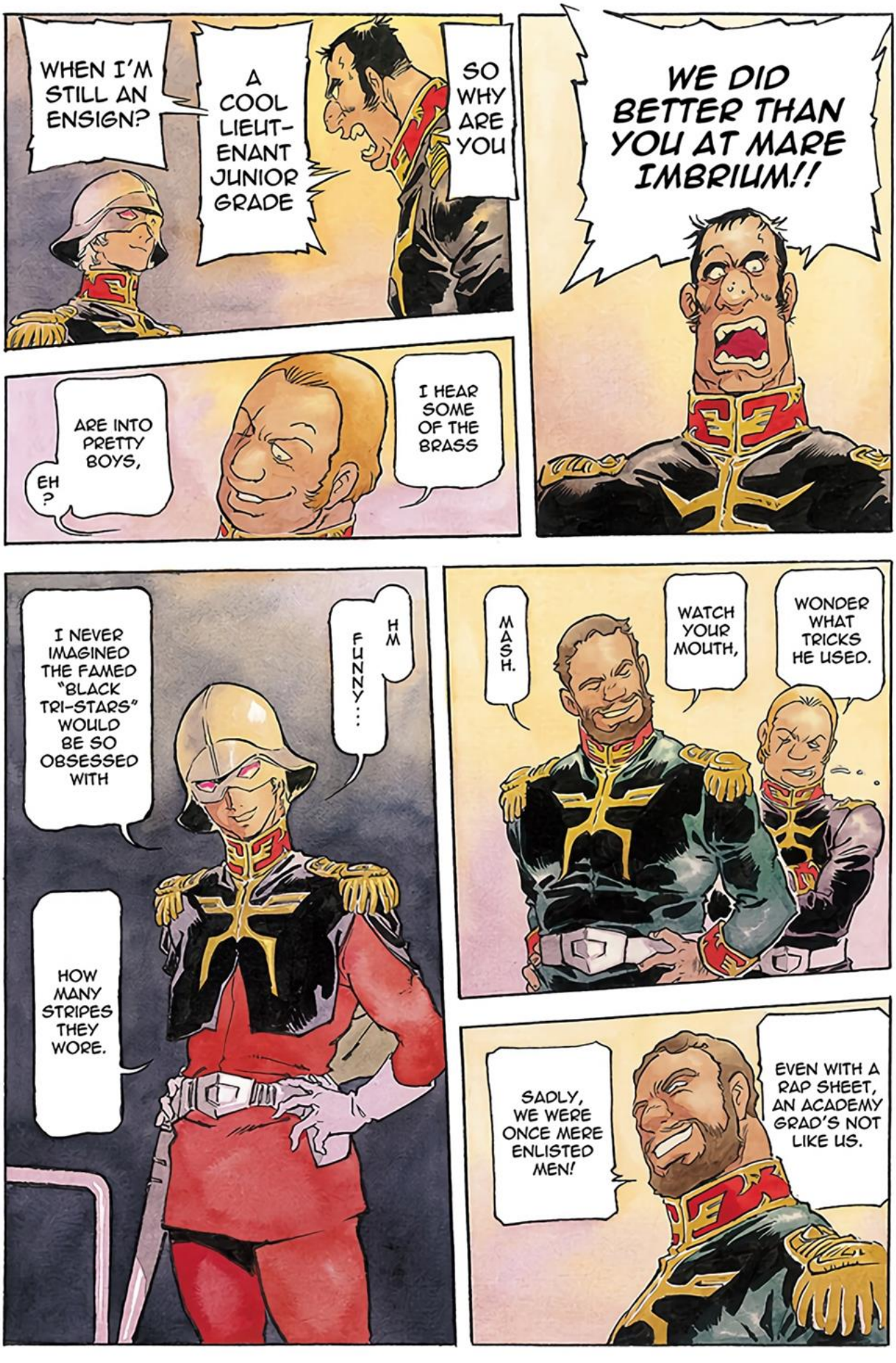
HELLO
SO YOU'RE HERE, TOO?

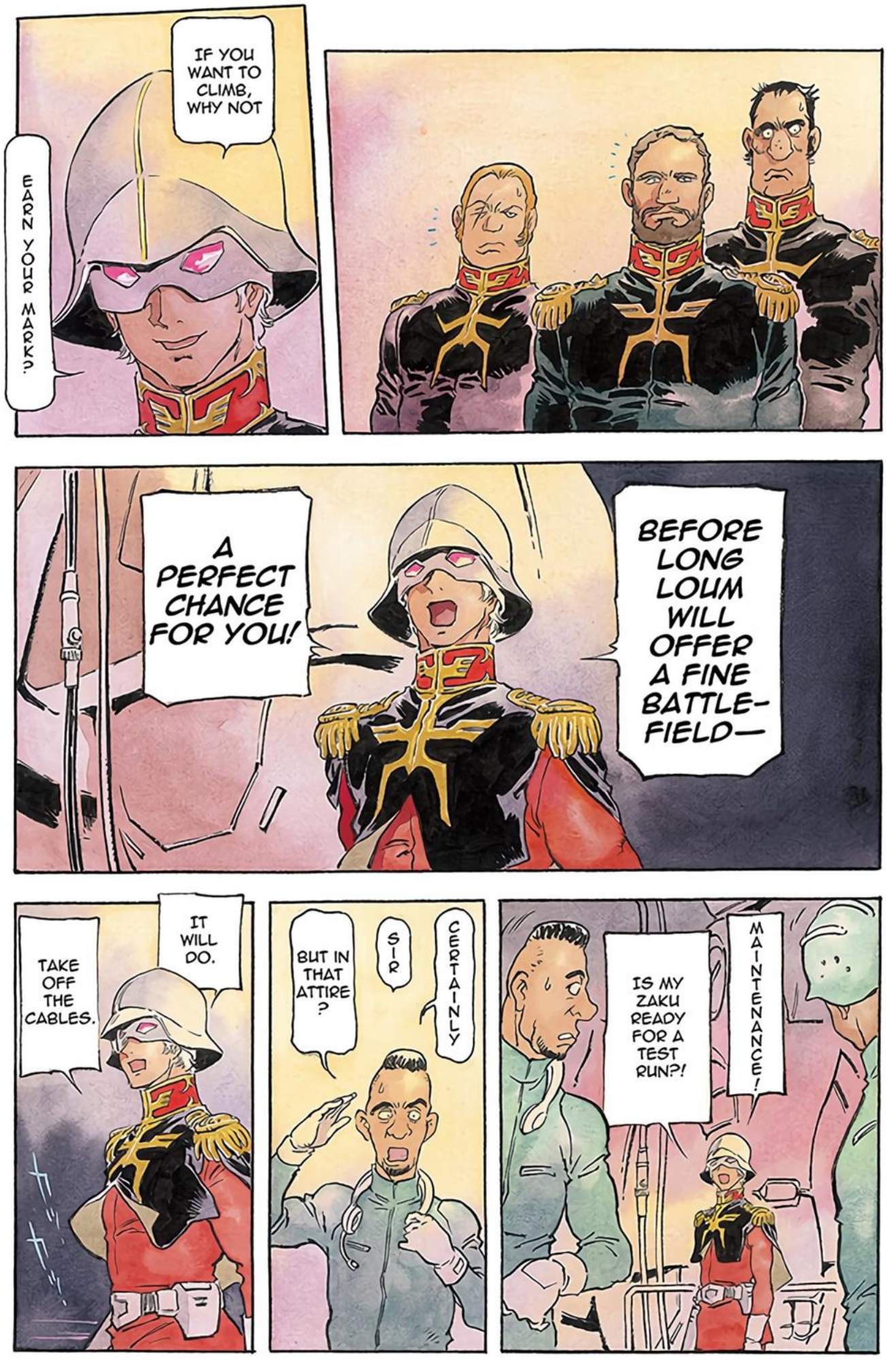

LTJG CHAR.
HI,

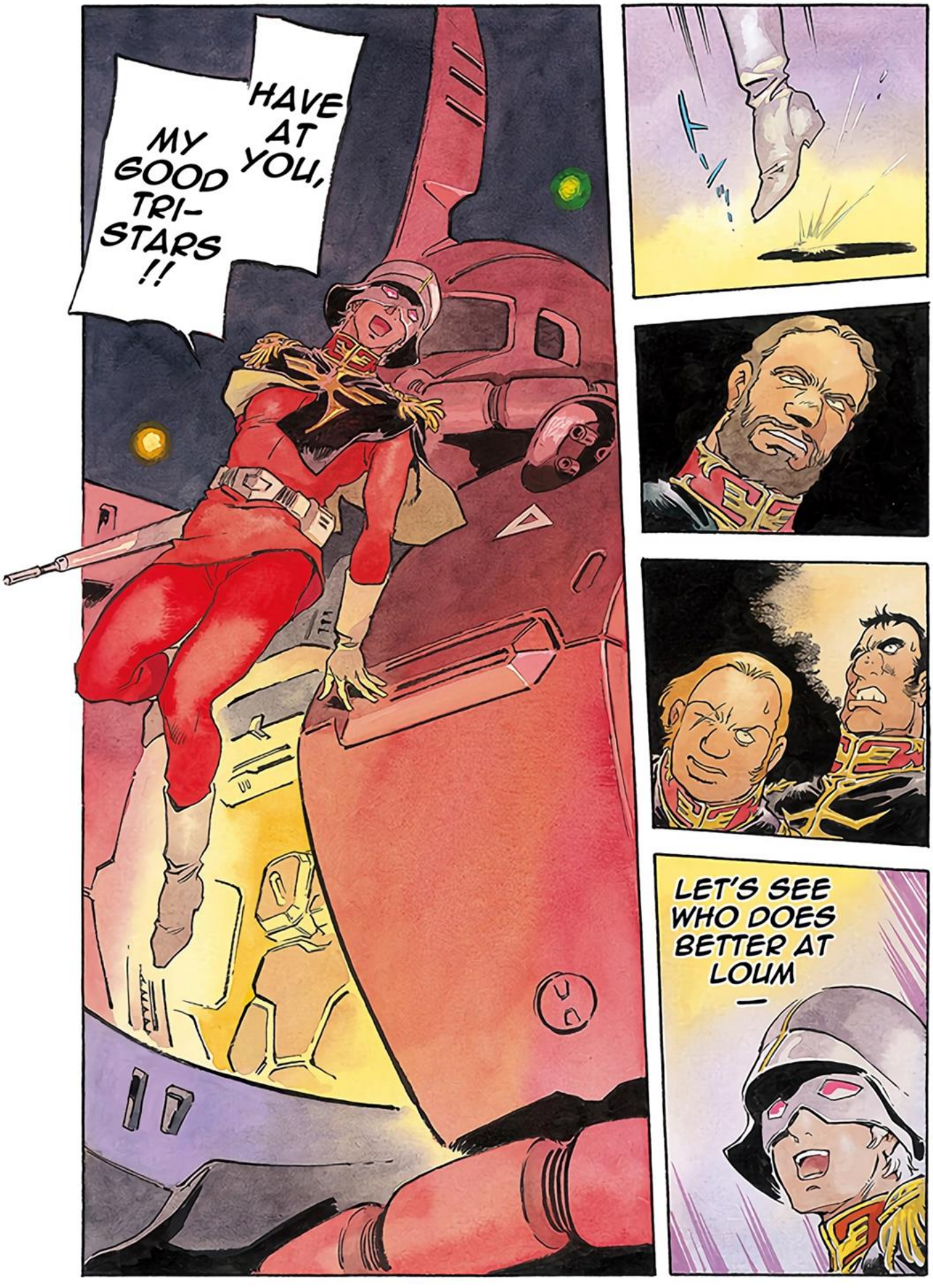
I OUGHT TO SAY CON-GRATS, HUH?
THEY HANDED YOU BACK YOUR COM-MISSION, DIDN'T THEY?


PROMPTLY PROMOTED TWO RANKS TO BOOT.
CONGRATS SQUARED?

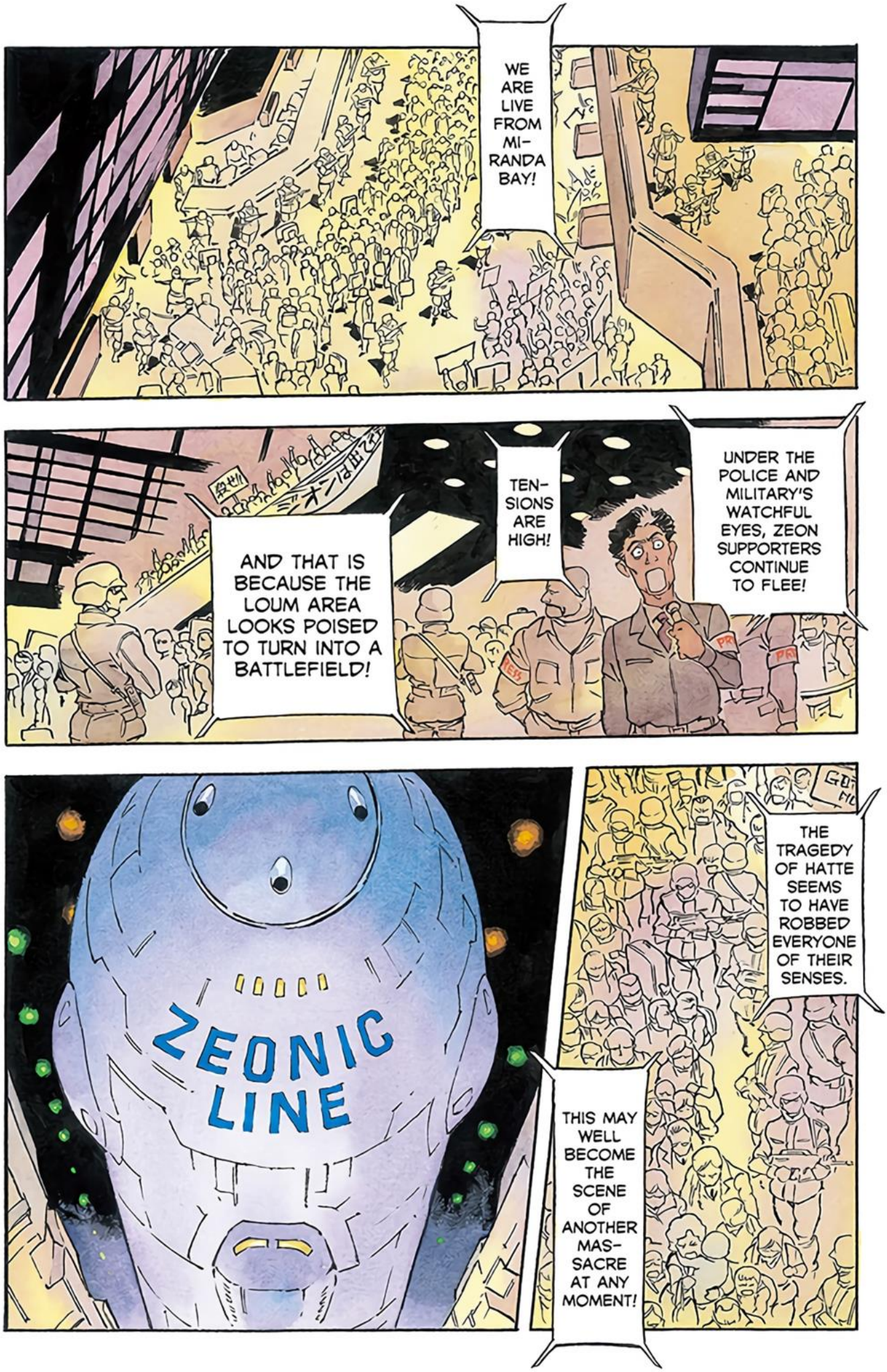
CAN'T WAIT FOR YOUR BELOVED MOBILE SUIT TO BE READY?
WE'RE ALL HARD AT WORK, I SEE.

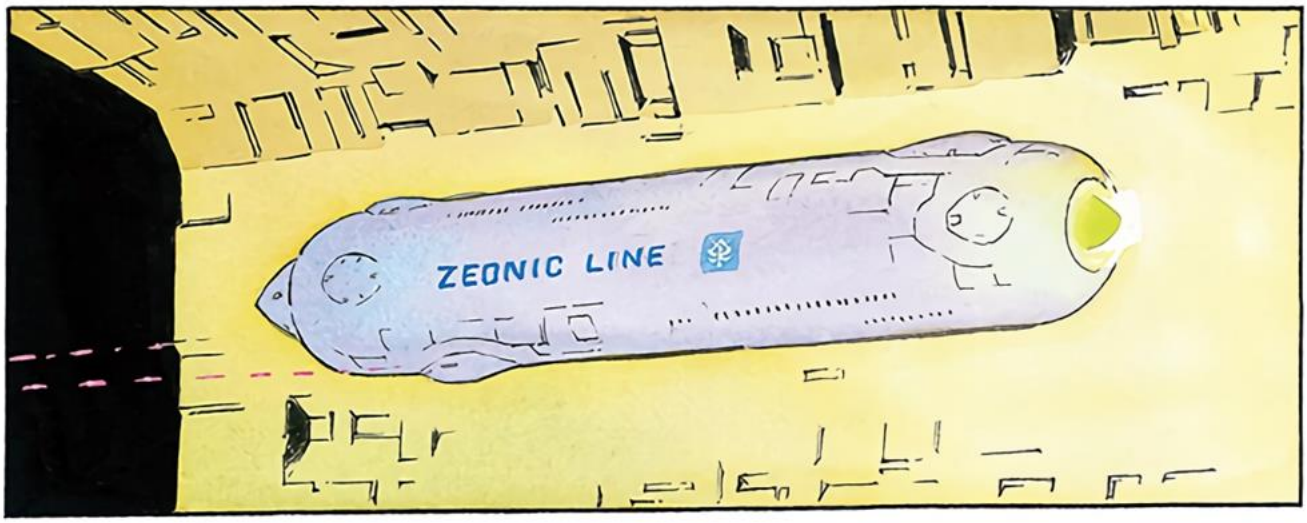

WHEN I'M STILL AN ENSIGN?
A COOL LIEUT-ENANT JUNIOR GRADE
SO WHY ARE YOU
WE DID BETTER THAN YOU AT MARE IMBRIUM!!
ARE INTO PRETTY BOYS, EH?
I HEAR SOME OF THE BRASS
I NEVER IMAGINED THE FAMED "BLACK TRI-STARS" WOULD BE SO OBSESSED WITH
HM FUNNY...
HOW MANY STRIPES THEY WORE.
MASH.
WATCH YOUR MOUTH,
WONDER WHAT TRICKS HE USED.
SADLY, WE WERE ONCE MERE ENLISTED MEN!
EVEN WITH A RAP SHEET, AN ACADEMY GRAD'S NOT LIKE US.


IF YOU WANT TO CLIMB, WHY NOT EARN YOUR MARK?
BEFORE LONG LOUM WILL OFFER A FINE BATTLE-FIELD—
A PERFECT CHANCE FOR YOU!
MAINTENANCE!
IS MY ZAKU READY FOR A TEST RUN?!
CERTAINLY SIR
BUT IN THAT ATTIRE?
IT WILL DO.
TAKE OFF THE CABLES.


HAVE AT YOU, MY GOOD TRI-STARS !!
LET'S SEE WHO DOES BETTER AT LOUM —

ZEONIC LINE
SECTION
III


WE ARE LIVE FROM MI-RANDA BAY!
TEN-SIONS ARE HIGH!
UNDER THE POLICE AND MILITARY'S WATCHFUL EYES, ZEON SUPPORTERS CONTINUE TO FLEE!
AND THAT IS BECAUSE THE LOUM AREA LOOKS POISED TO TURN INTO A BATTLEFIELD!
ZEONIC LINE
THE TRAGEDY OF HATTE SEEMS TO HAVE ROBBED EVERYONE OF THEIR SENSES.
THIS MAY WELL BECOME THE SCENE OF ANOTHER MAS-SACRE AT ANY MOMENT!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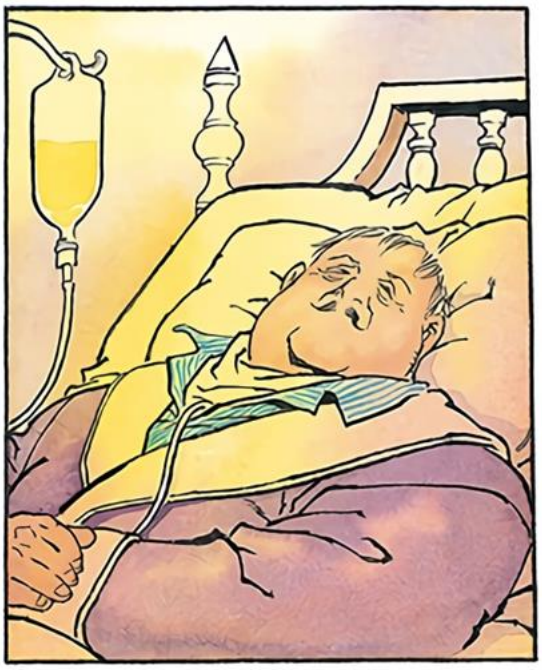
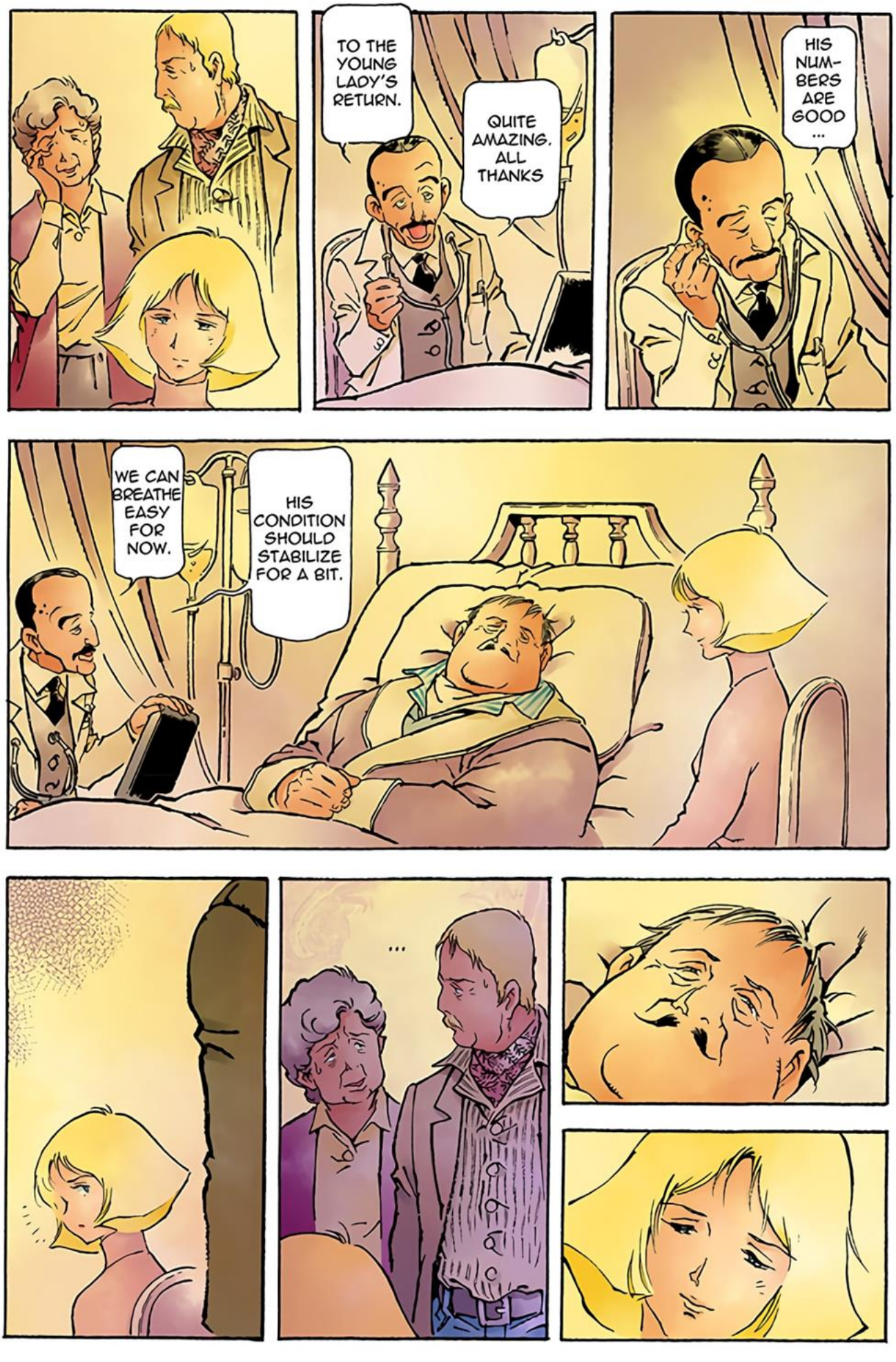
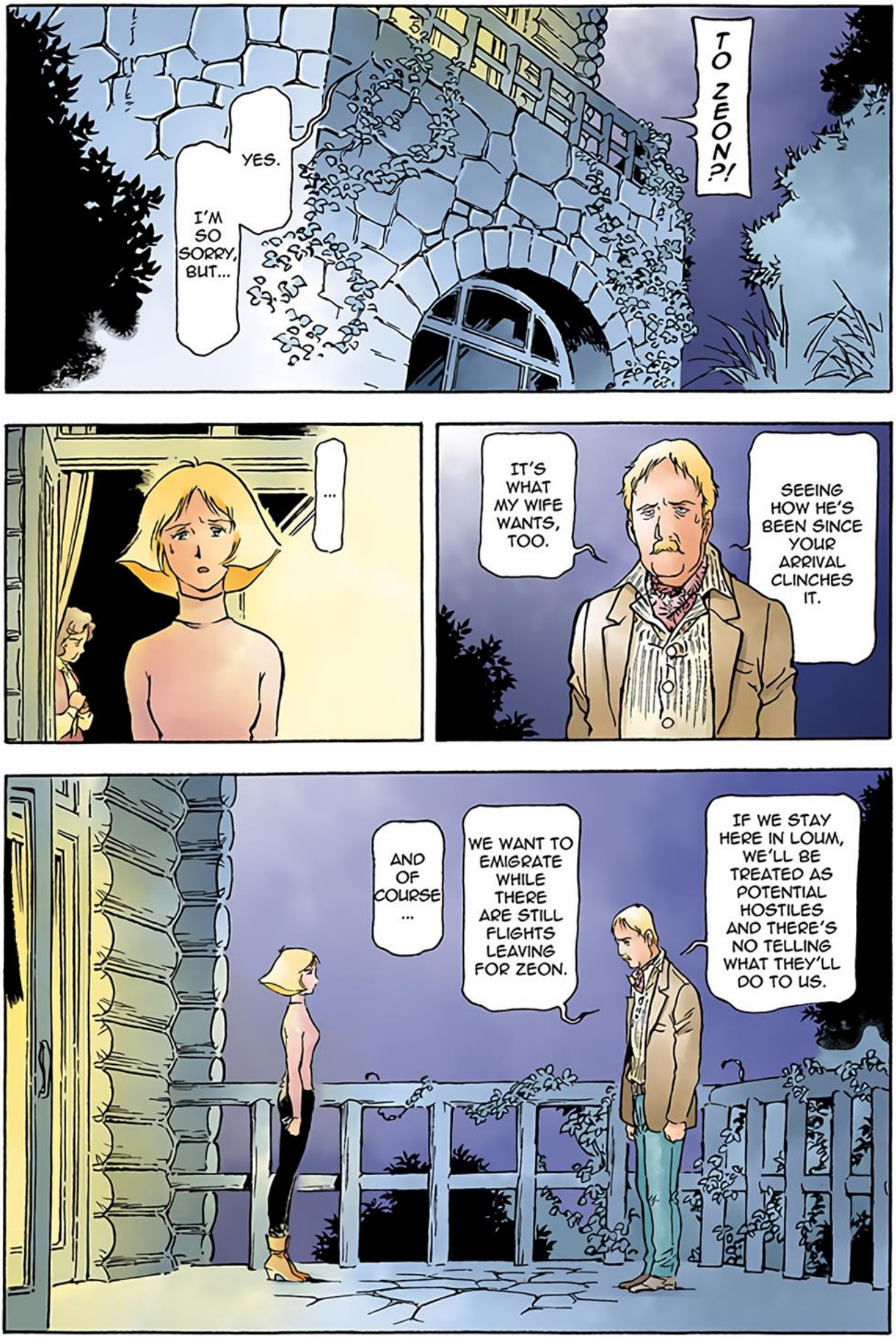
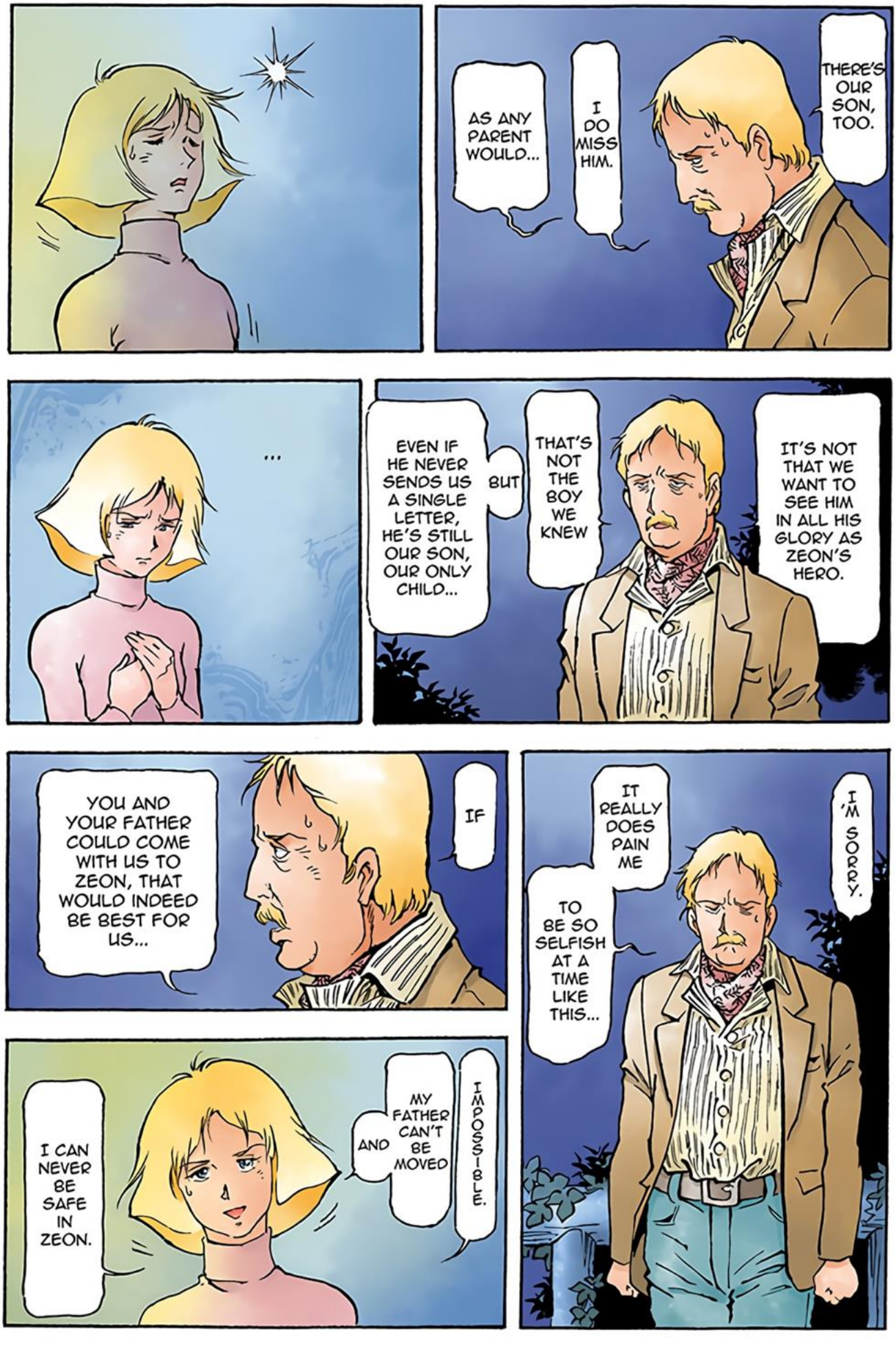
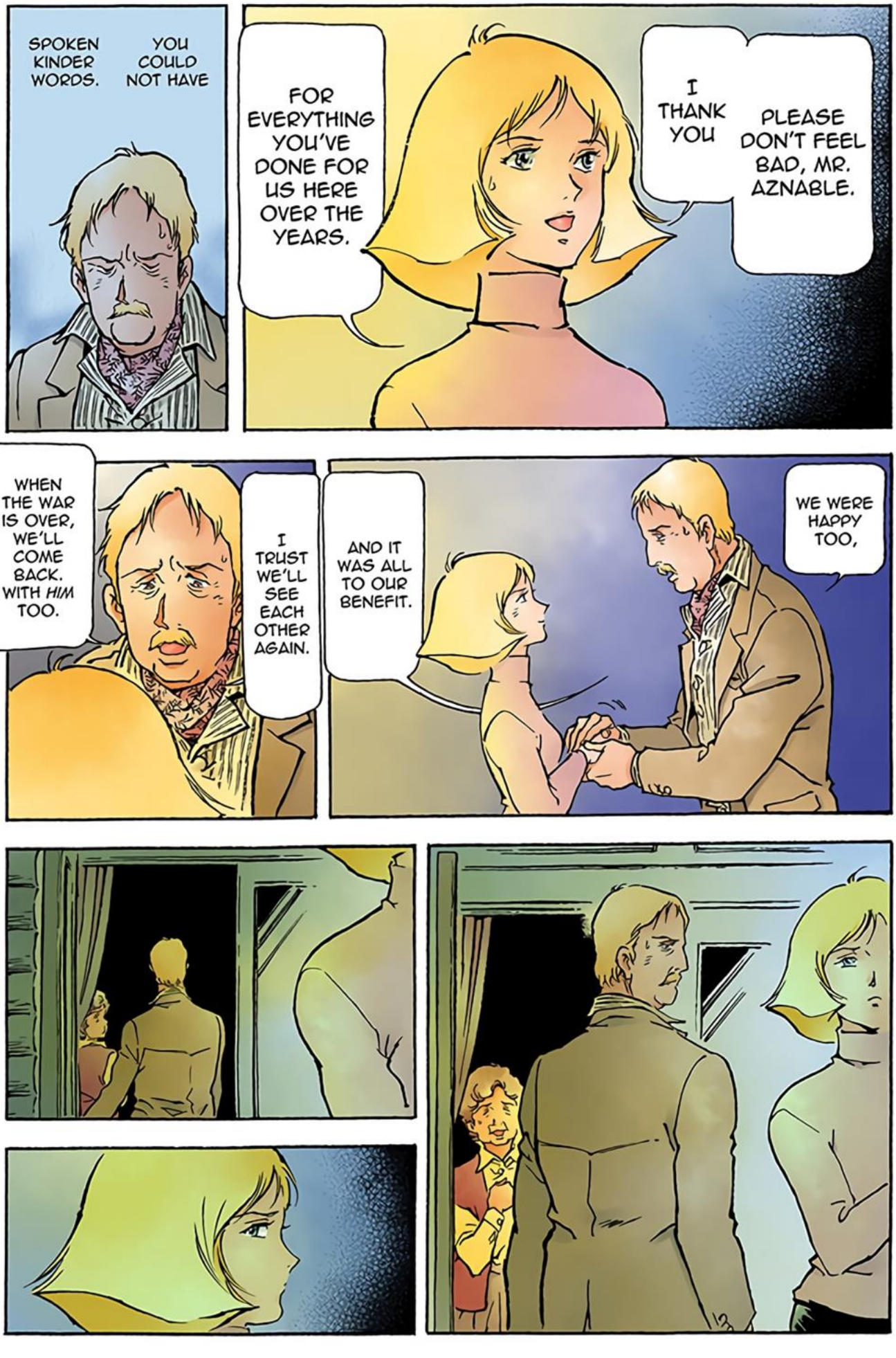
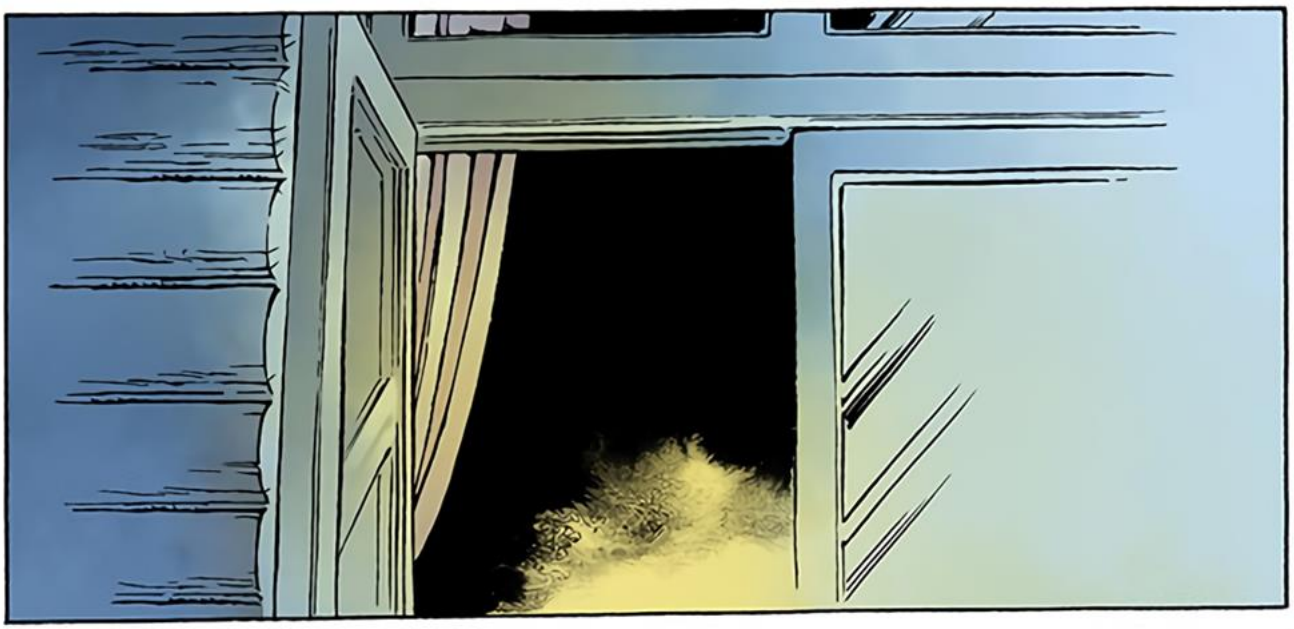



TO THE YOUNG LADY'S RETURN.
QUITE AMAZING. ALL THANKS
HIS NUM-BERS ARE GOOD ...
WE CAN BREATHE EASY FOR NOW.
HIS CONDITION SHOULD STABILIZE FOR A BIT.
...


TO ZEON?!
YES.
I'M SO SORRY, BUT...
...
IT'S WHAT MY WIFE WANTS, TOO.
SEEING HOW HE'S BEEN SINCE YOUR ARRIVAL CLINCHES IT.
AND OF COURSE ...
WE WANT TO EMIGRATE WHILE THERE ARE STILL FLIGHTS LEAVING FOR ZEON.
IF WE STAY HERE IN LOUM, WE'LL BE TREATED AS POTENTIAL HOSTILES AND THERE'S NO TELLING WHAT THEY'LL DO TO US.


THERE'S OUR SON, TOO.
I DO MISS HIM.
AS ANY PARENT WOULD...
...
IT'S NOT THAT WE WANT TO SEE HIM IN ALL HIS GLORY AS ZEON'S HERO.
THAT'S NOT THE BOY WE KNEW
BUT EVEN IF HE NEVER SENDS US A SINGLE LETTER, HE'S STILL OUR SON, OUR ONLY CHILD...
I'M SORRY.
IT REALLY DOES PAIN ME
TO BE SO SELFISH AT A TIME LIKE THIS...
IF YOU AND YOUR FATHER COULD COME WITH US TO ZEON, THAT WOULD INDEED BE BEST FOR US...
IMPOSSIBLE.
AND MY FATHER CAN'T BE MOVED
I CAN NEVER BE SAFE IN ZEON.


YOU COULD NOT HAVE SPOKEN KINDER WORDS.
FOR EVERYTHING YOU'VE DONE FOR US HERE OVER THE YEARS.
I THANK YOU
PLEASE DON'T FEEL BAD, MR. AZNABLE.
WHEN THE WAR IS OVER, WE'LL COME BACK. WITH *HIM* TOO.
I TRUST WE'LL SEE EACH OTHER AGAIN.
AND IT WAS ALL TO OUR BENEFIT.
WE WERE HAPPY TOO,



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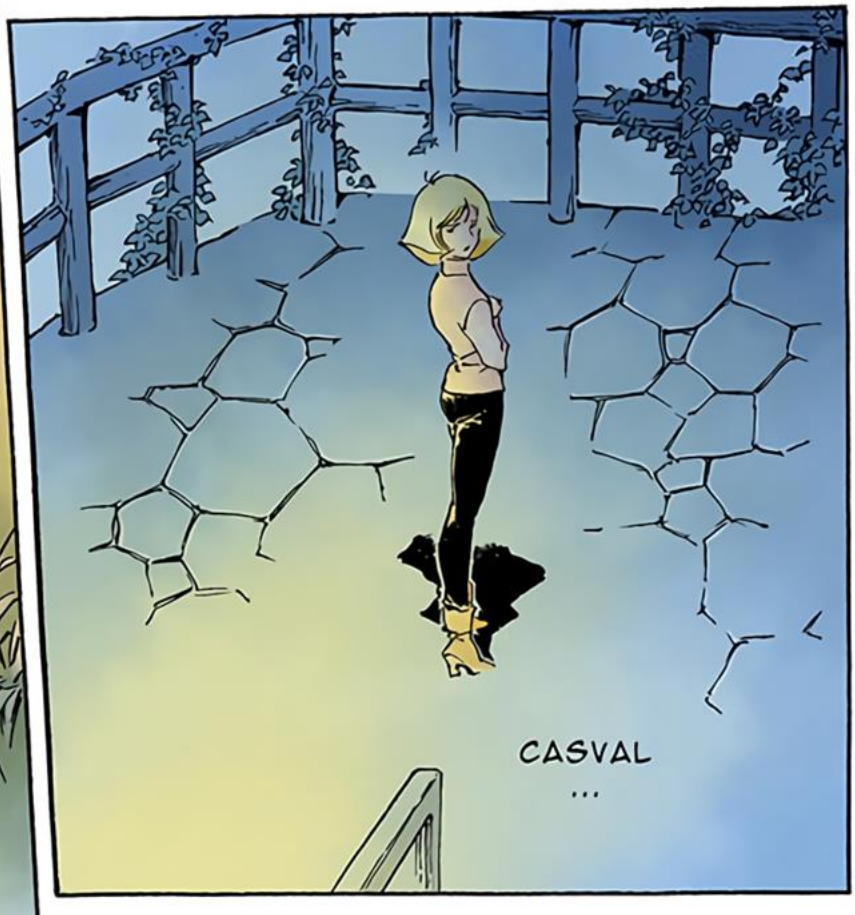
CASVAL
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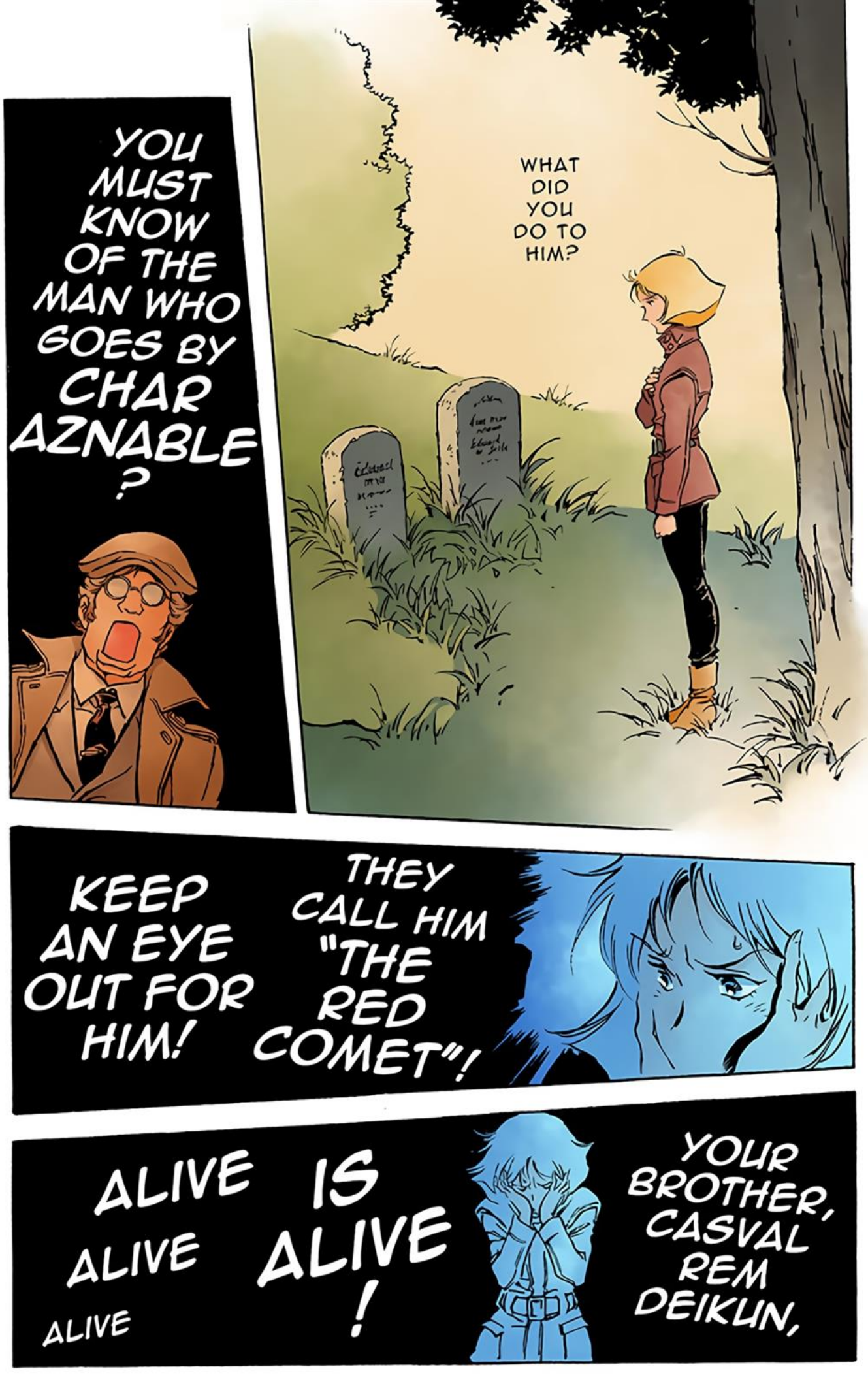
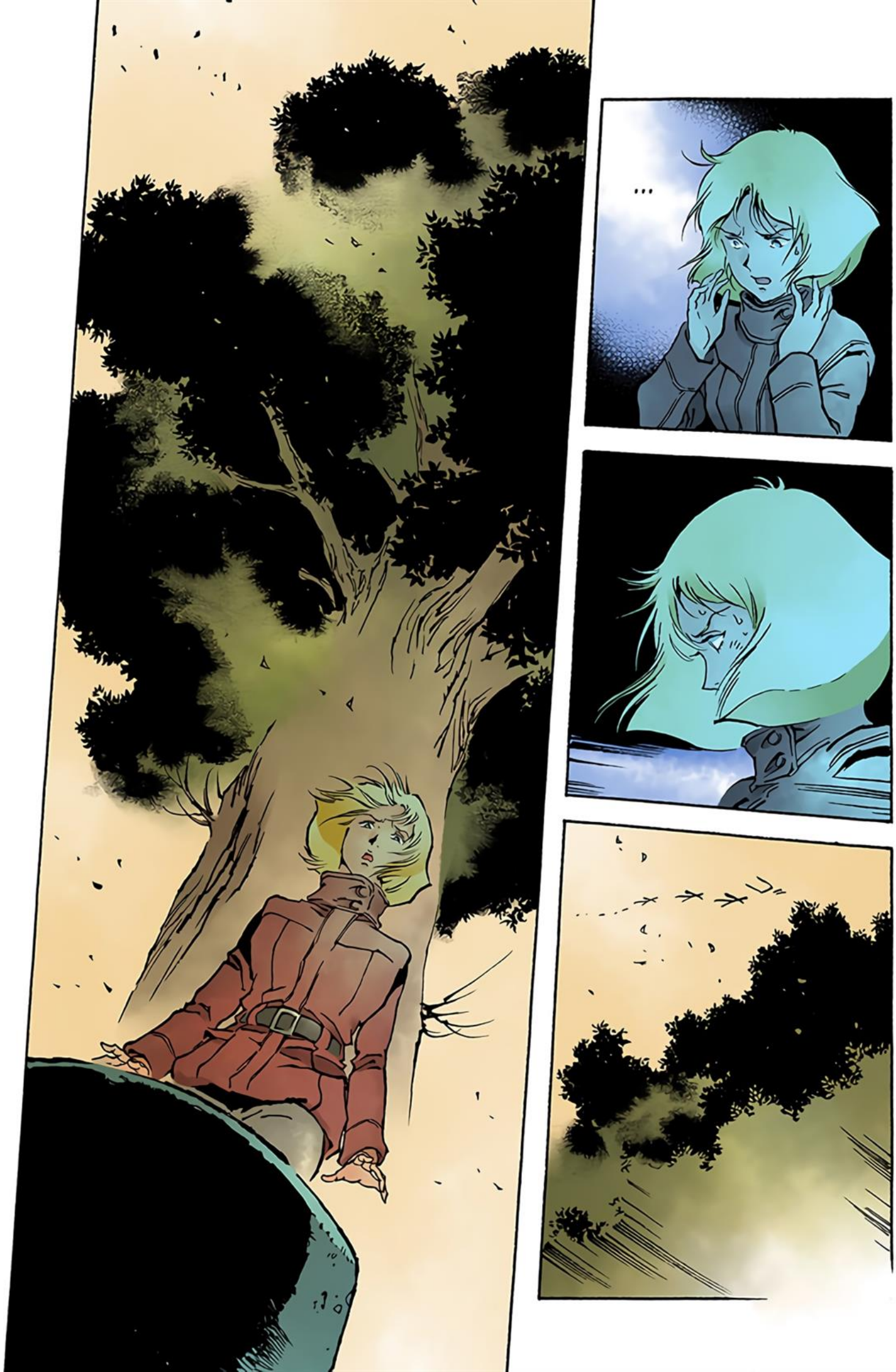
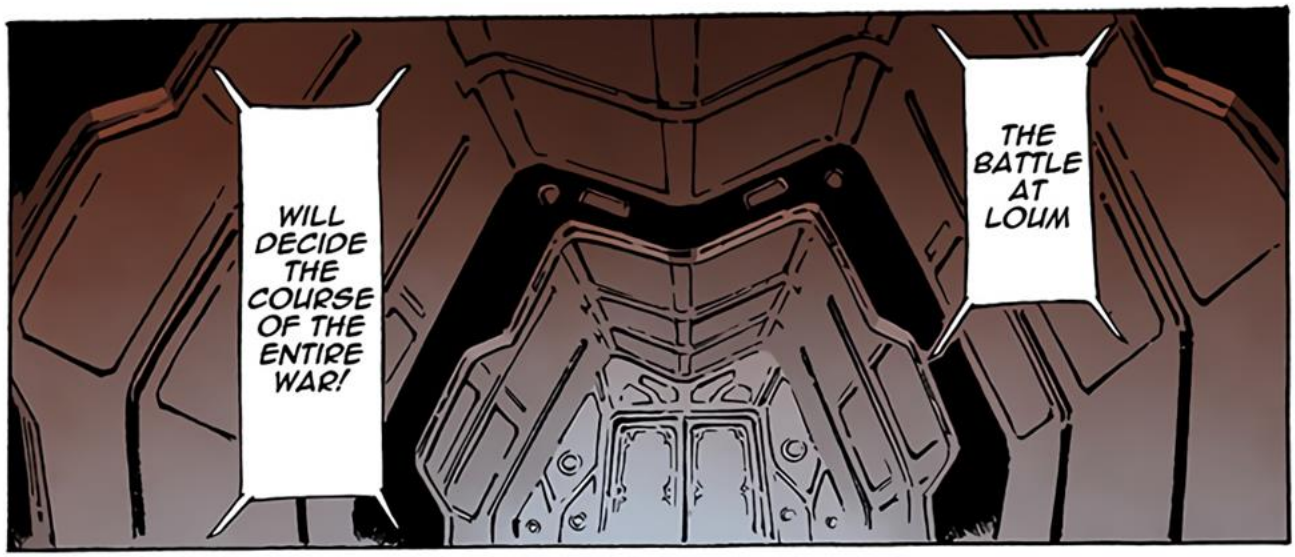
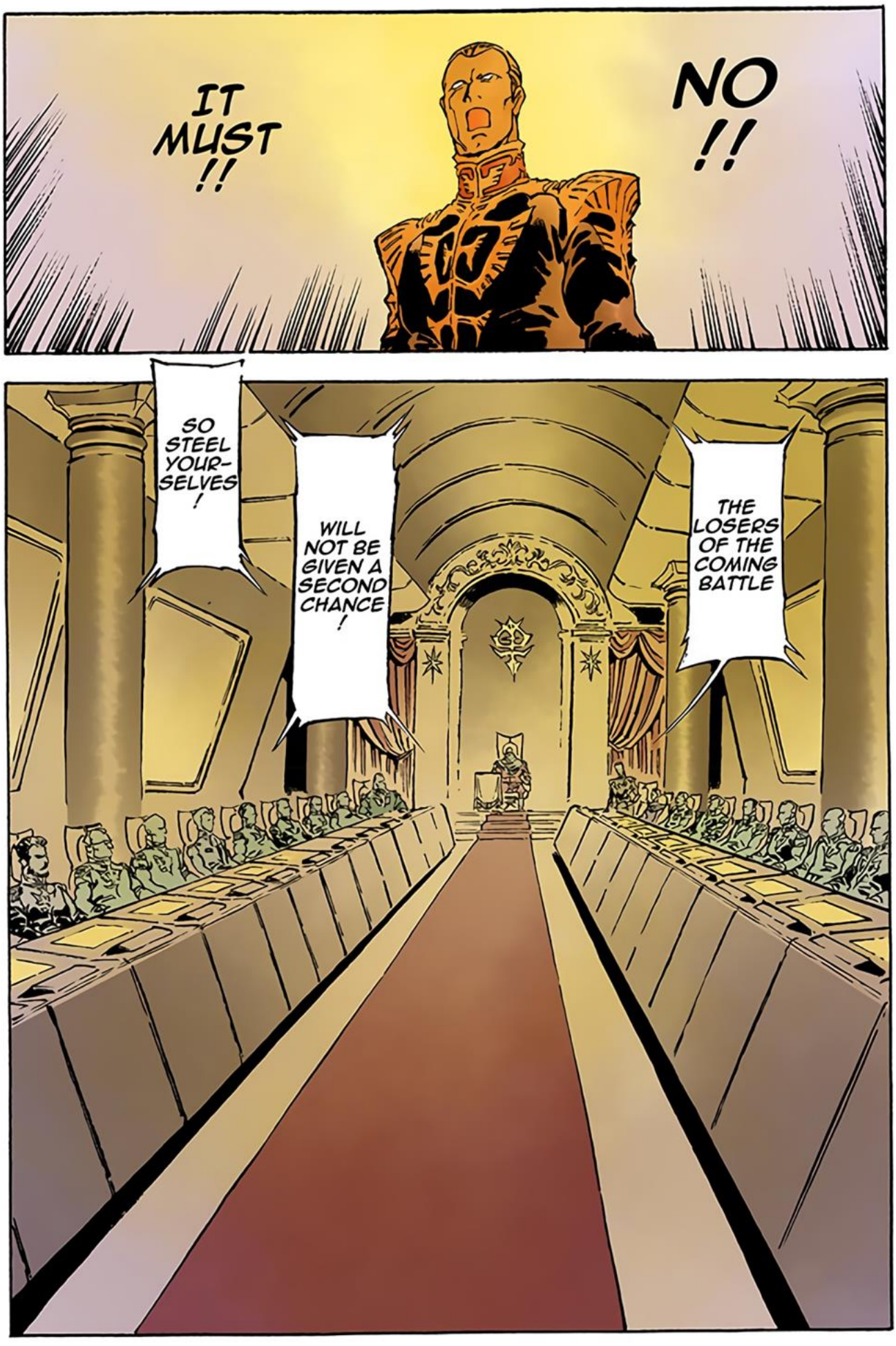
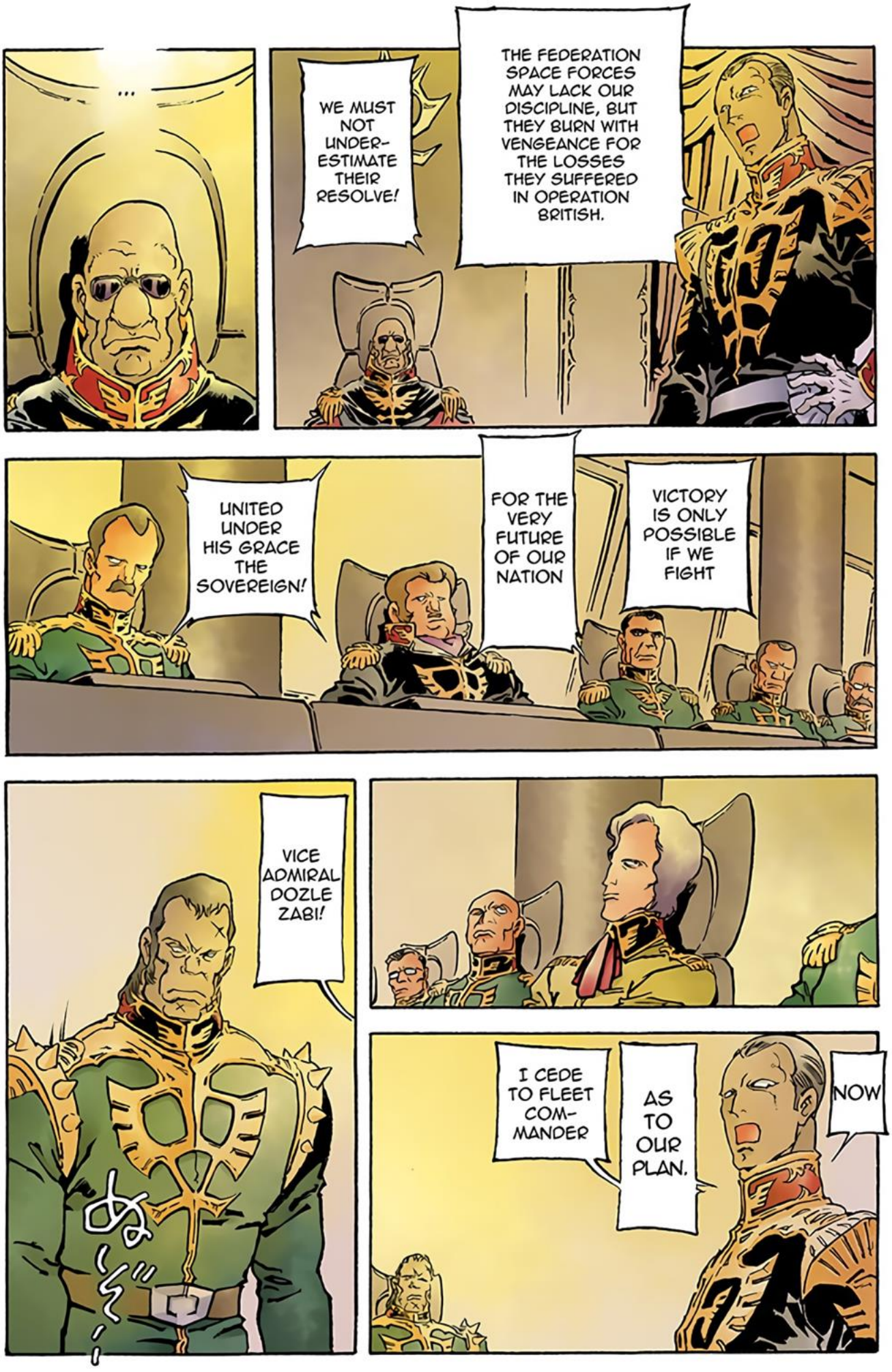

YOU MUST KNOW OF THE MAN WHO GOES BY CHAR AZNABLE?
WHAT DID YOU DO TO HIM?
KEEP AN EYE OUT FOR HIM!
THEY CALL HIM "THE RED COMET"!
ALIVE
ALIVE
ALIVE
IS ALIVE!
YOUR BROTHER, CASVAL REM DEIKUN,

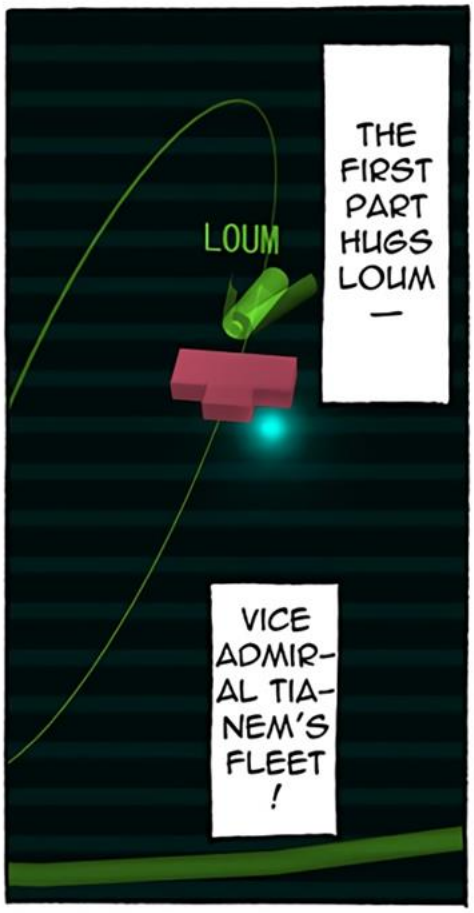



THE BATTLE AT LOUM
WILL DECIDE THE COURSE OF THE ENTIRE WAR!

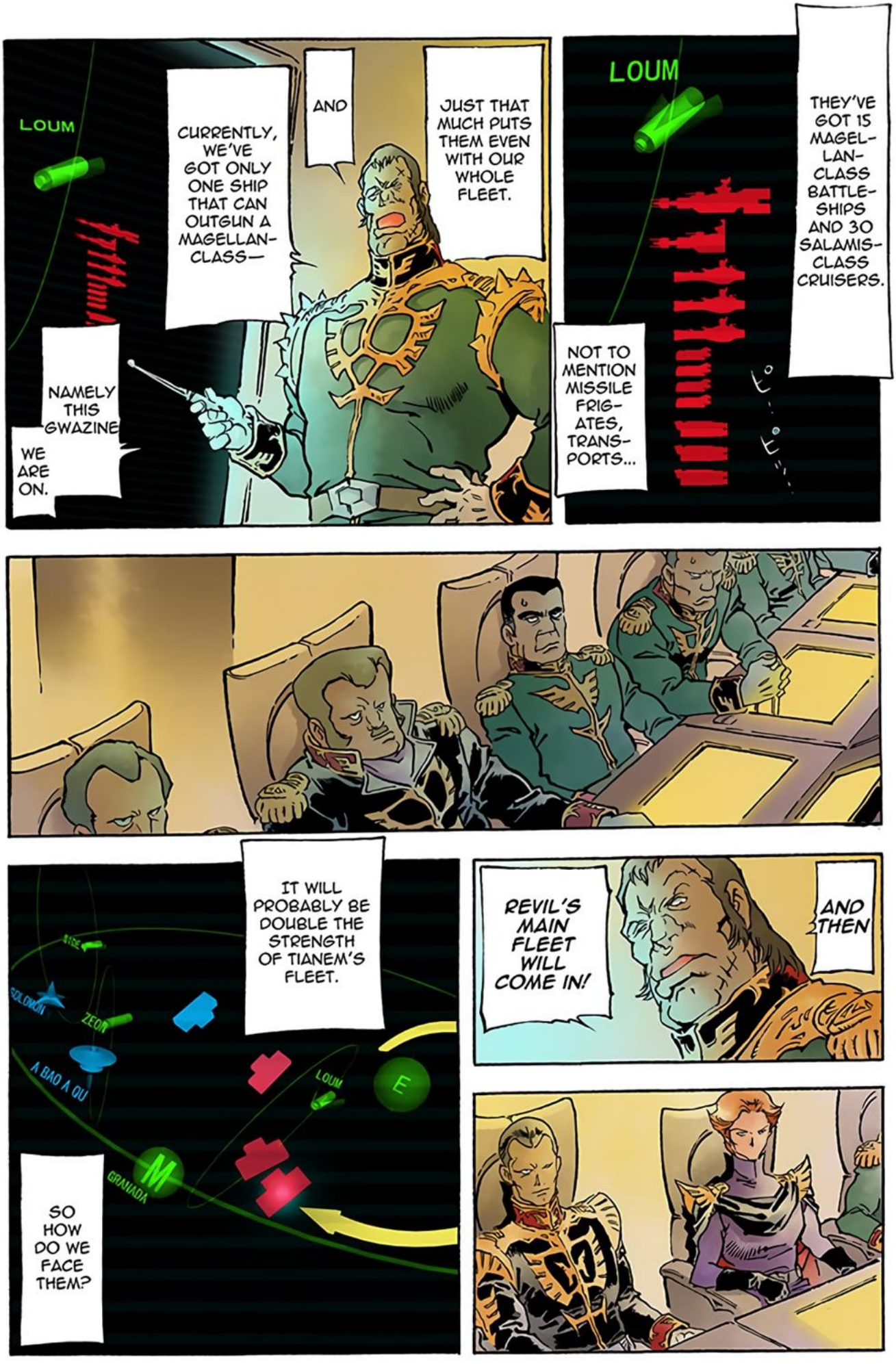

IT MUST !!
NO !!
SO STEEL YOUR-SELVES !
WILL NOT BE GIVEN A SECOND CHANCE !
THE LOSERS OF THE COMING BATTLE


...
WE MUST NOT UNDER-ESTIMATE THEIR RESOLVE!
THE FEDERATION SPACE FORCES MAY LACK OUR DISCIPLINE, BUT THEY BURN WITH VENGEANCE FOR THE LOSSES THEY SUFFERED IN OPERATION BRITISH.
UNITED UNDER HIS GRACE THE SOVEREIGN!
FOR THE VERY FUTURE OF OUR NATION
VICTORY IS ONLY POSSIBLE IF WE FIGHT
VICE ADMIRAL DOZLE ZABI!
I CEDE TO FLEET COM-MANDER
AS TO OUR PLAN.
NOW

AS WAR CRIMI-NALS.
IF WE LOSE, WE'LL ALL HANG
REMEMBER.


LOUM
THE FIRST PART HUGS LOUM —
VICE ADMIR-AL TIA-NEM'S FLEET !

THE ENEMY
FORCES CAN BE SEEN AS TWO-FOLD!


LOUM
CURRENTLY, WE'VE GOT ONLY ONE SHIP THAT CAN OUTGUN A MAGELLAN-CLASS—
AND
JUST THAT MUCH PUTS THEM EVEN WITH OUR WHOLE FLEET.
NAMELY THIS GWAZINE
WE ARE ON.
LOUM
THEY'VE GOT 15 MAGEL-LAN-CLASS BATTLE-SHIPS AND 30 SALAMIS-CLASS CRUISERS.
NOT TO MENTION MISSILE FRIG-ATES, TRANS-PORTS...
IT WILL PROBABLY BE DOUBLE THE STRENGTH OF TIANEM'S FLEET.
SOLOMON
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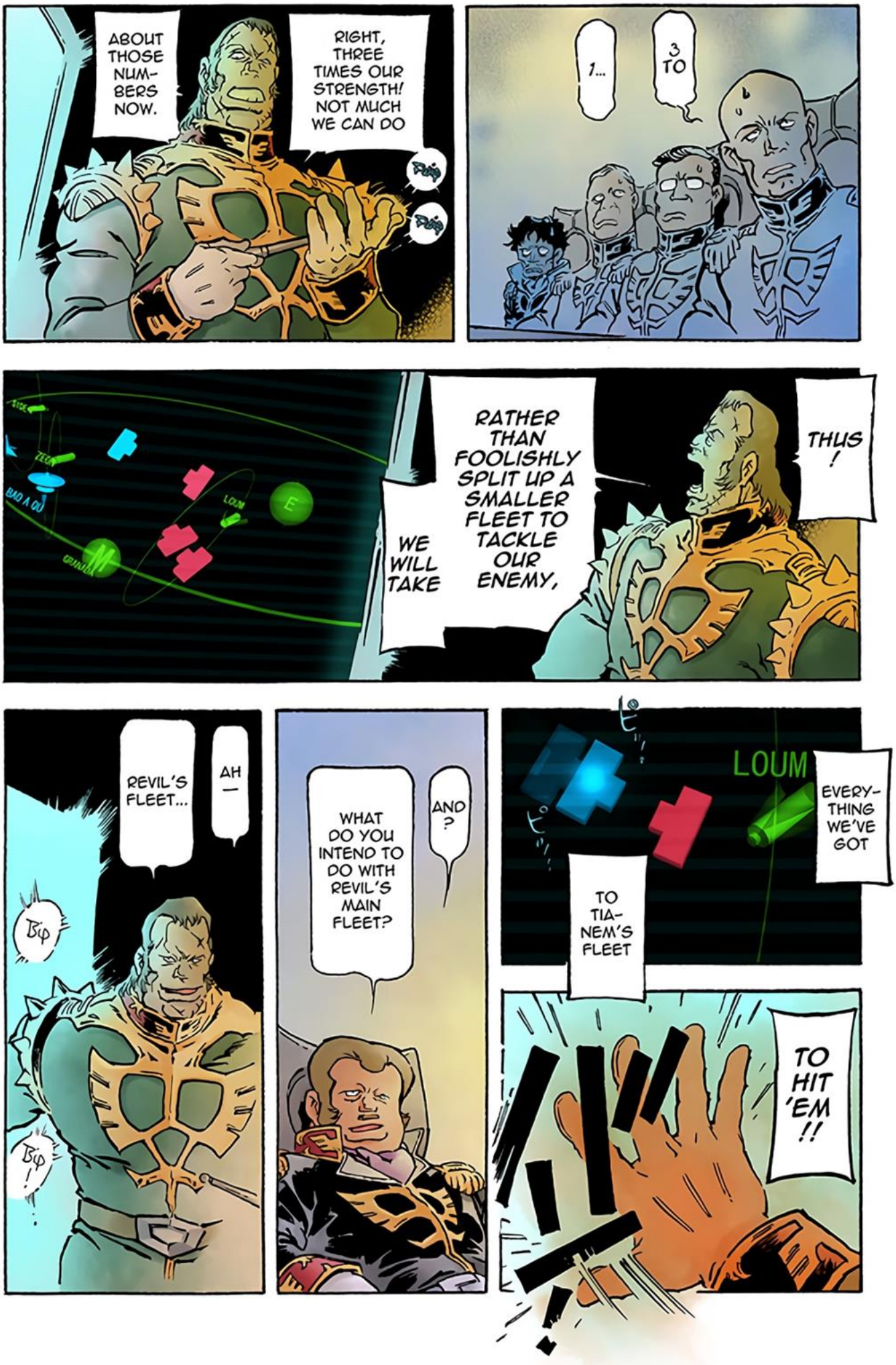
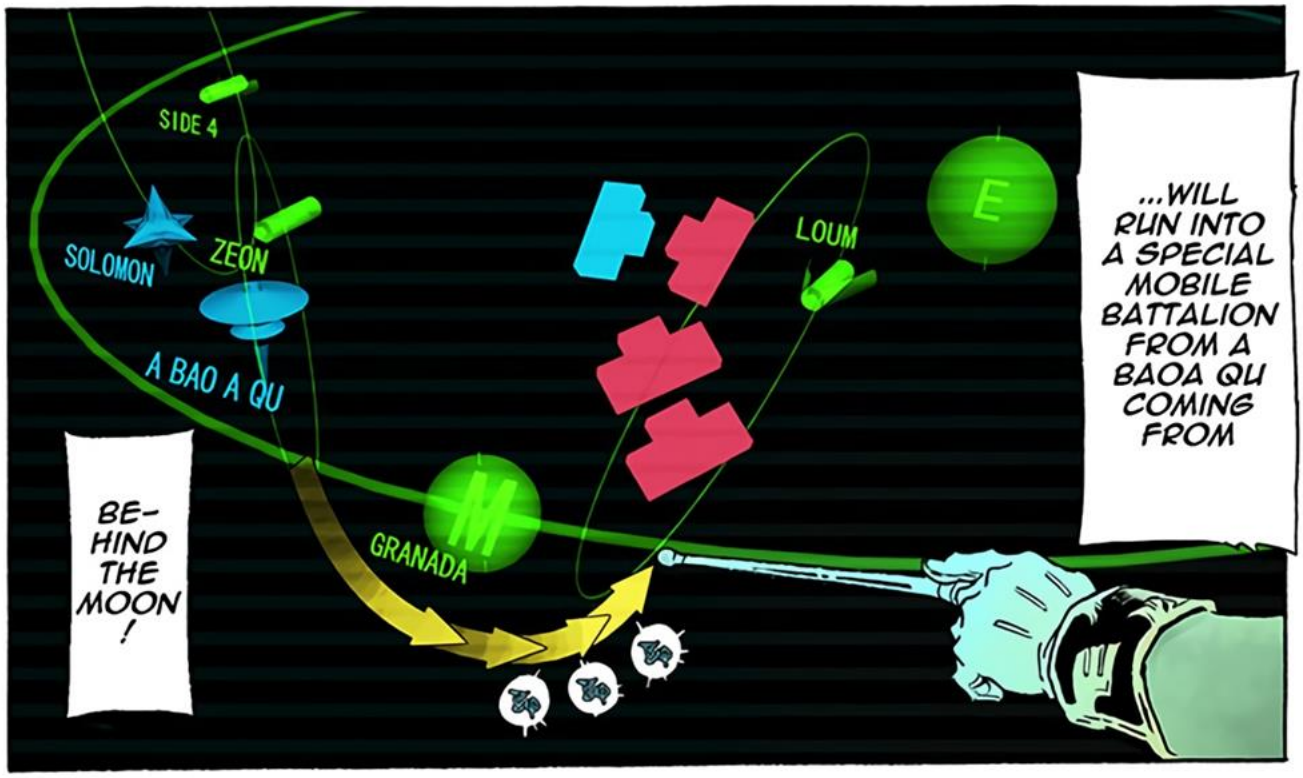
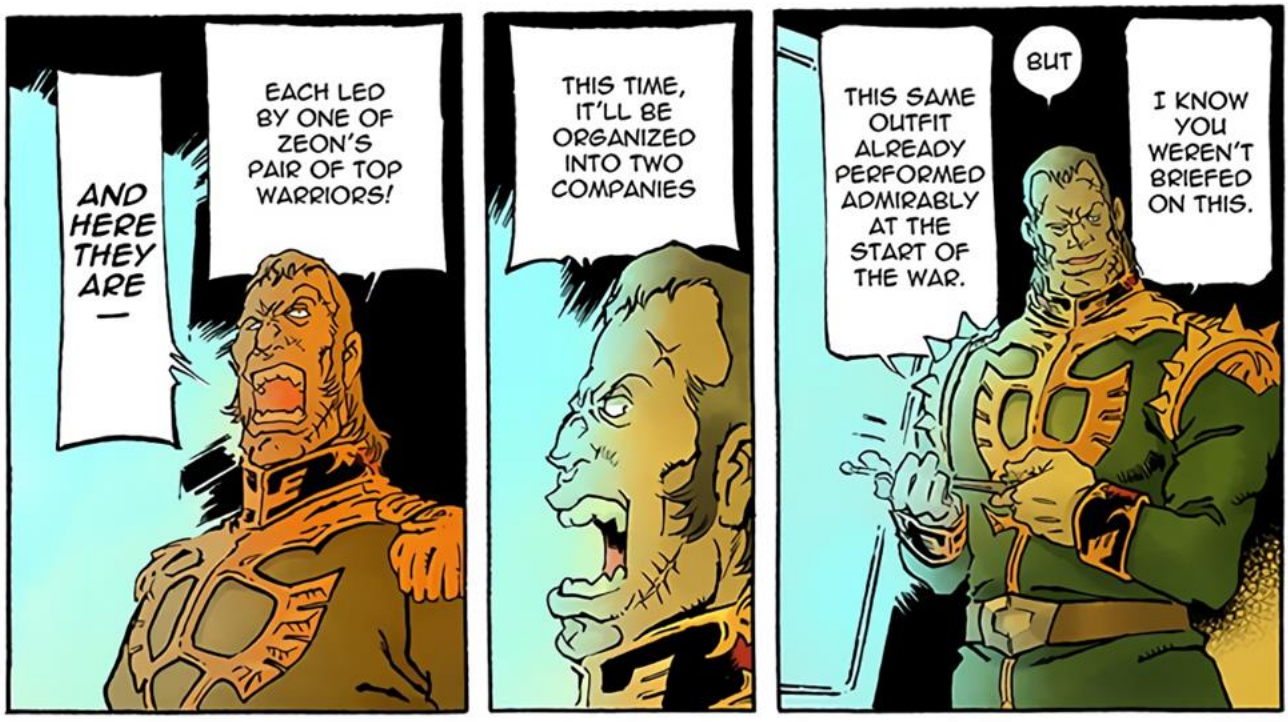
LOUM
GRANADA
SO HOW DO WE FACE THEM?
REVIL'S MAIN FLEET WILL COME IN!
AND THEN

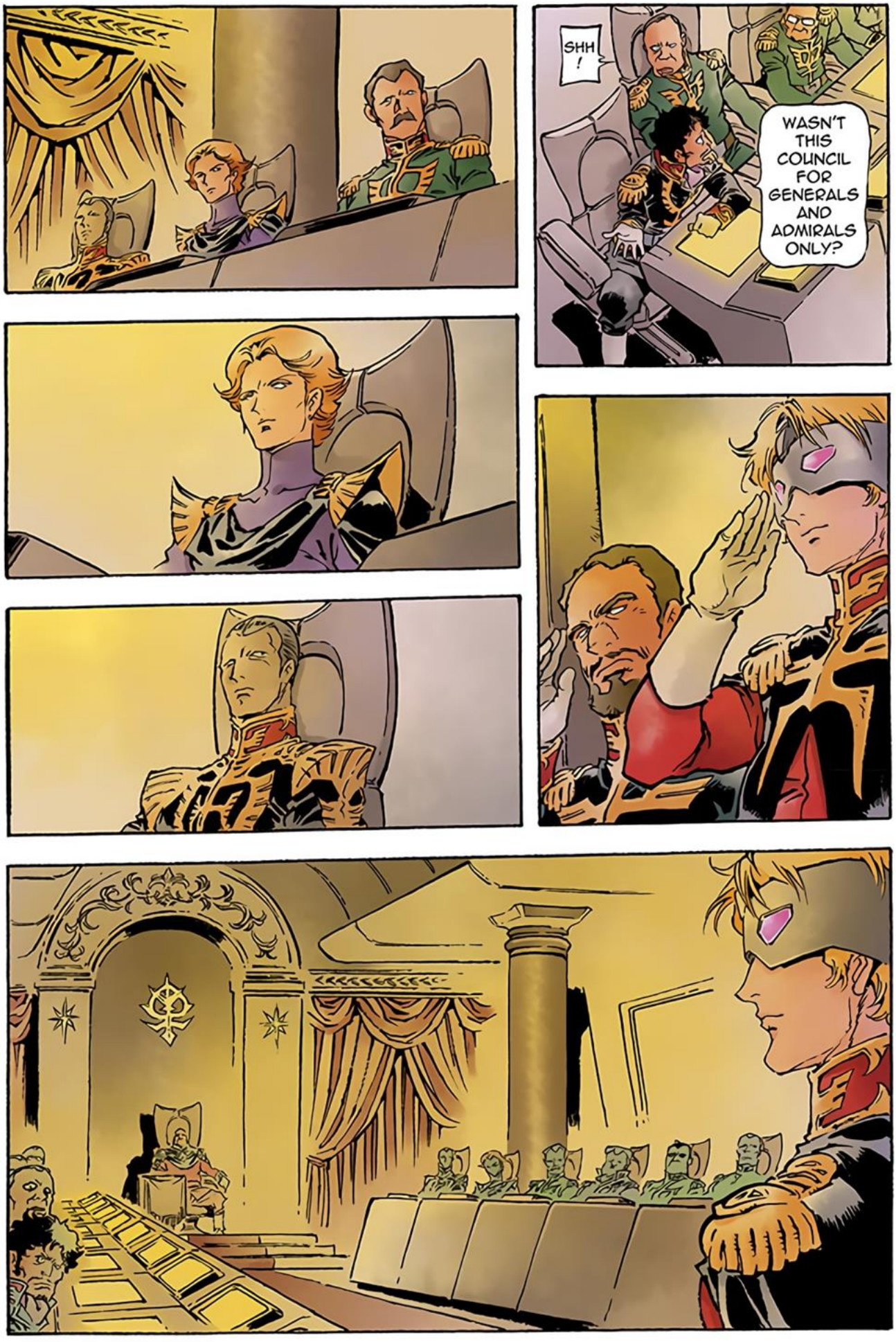

ABOUT THOSE NUM-BERS NOW.
RIGHT, THREE TIMES OUR STRENGTH! NOT MUCH WE CAN DO
PUFF
PUFF
1...
3 TO
THUS !
RATHER THAN FOOLISHLY SPLIT UP A SMALLER FLEET TO TACKLE OUR ENEMY,
WE WILL TAKE
LOUM
E
M
REVIL'S FLEET...
AH —
BIP
BIP !
AND ?
WHAT DO YOU INTEND TO DO WITH REVIL'S MAIN FLEET?
LOUM
EVERY-THING WE'VE GOT
TO TIA-NEM'S FLEET
TO HIT 'EM !!


SIDE 4
SOLOMON
ZEON
A BAO A QU
LOUM
GRANADA
...WILL RUN INTO A SPECIAL MOBILE BATTALION FROM A BAOA QU COMING FROM
BE-HIND THE MOON!

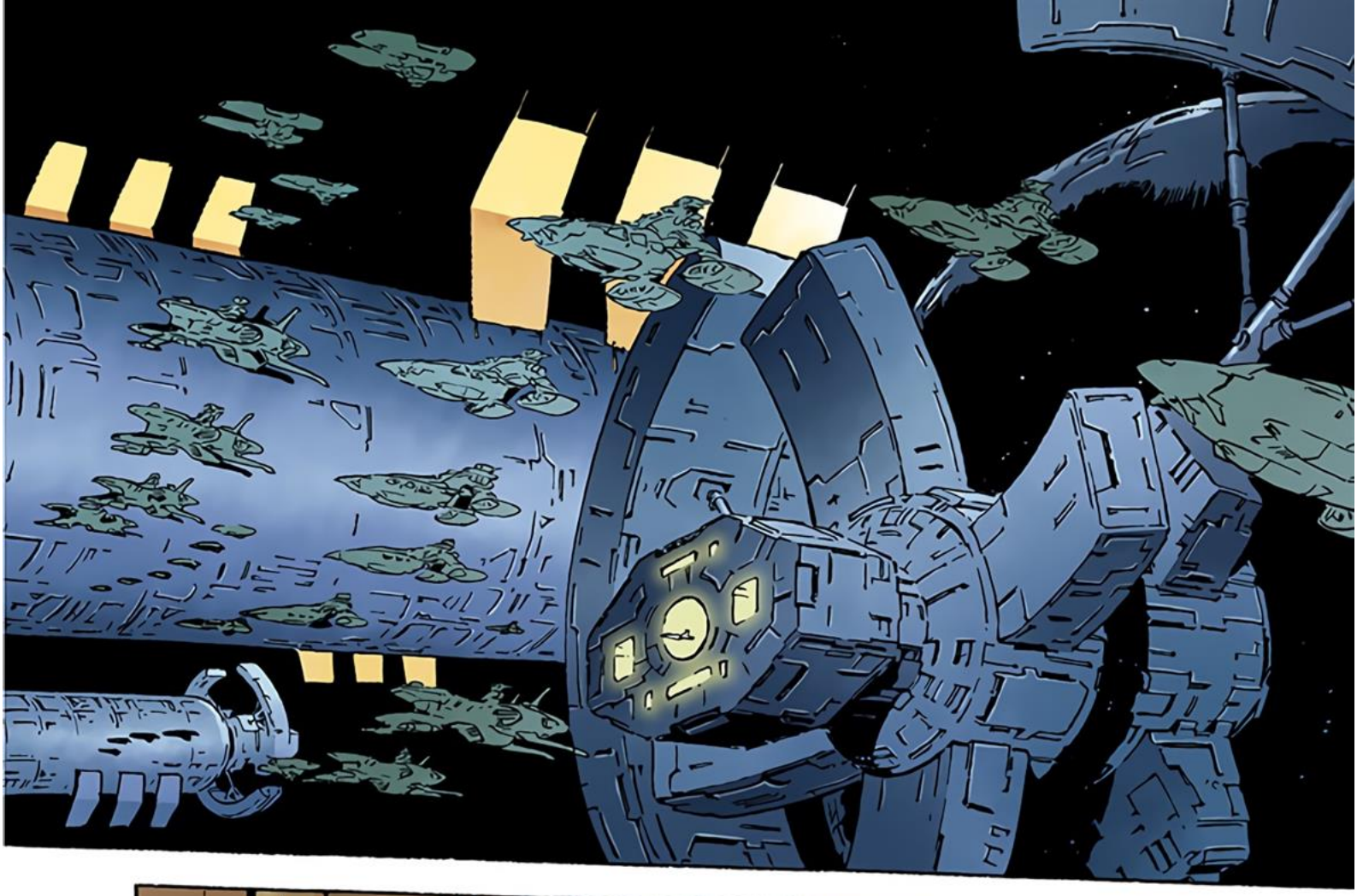
WHAT MIGHT YOU ...
?
SPE-CIAL, YOU SAY ...


AND HERE THEY ARE —
EACH LED BY ONE OF ZEON'S PAIR OF TOP WARRIORS!
THIS TIME, IT'LL BE ORGANIZED INTO TWO COMPANIES
BUT
THIS SAME OUTFIT ALREADY PERFORMED ADMIRABLY AT THE START OF THE WAR.
I KNOW YOU WEREN'T BRIEFED ON THIS.

LTJG MI-GUEL GAIA
AND LTJG CHAR AZ-NABLE!
LT
JG?


SHH!
WASN'T THIS COUNCIL FOR GENERALS AND ADMIRALS ONLY?

HOORAY
HOORAY



HOOKY
HOOKY
JAZZ

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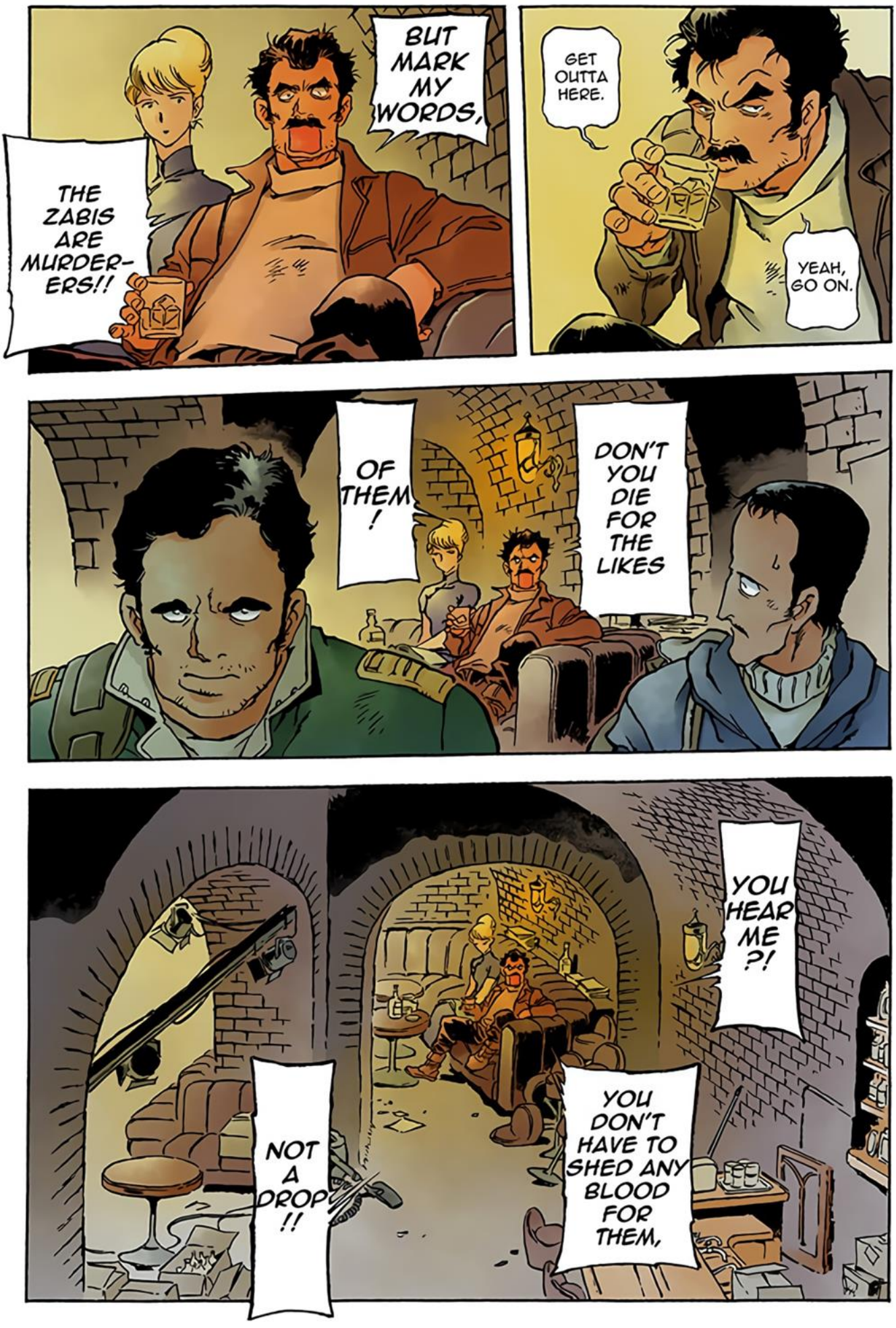
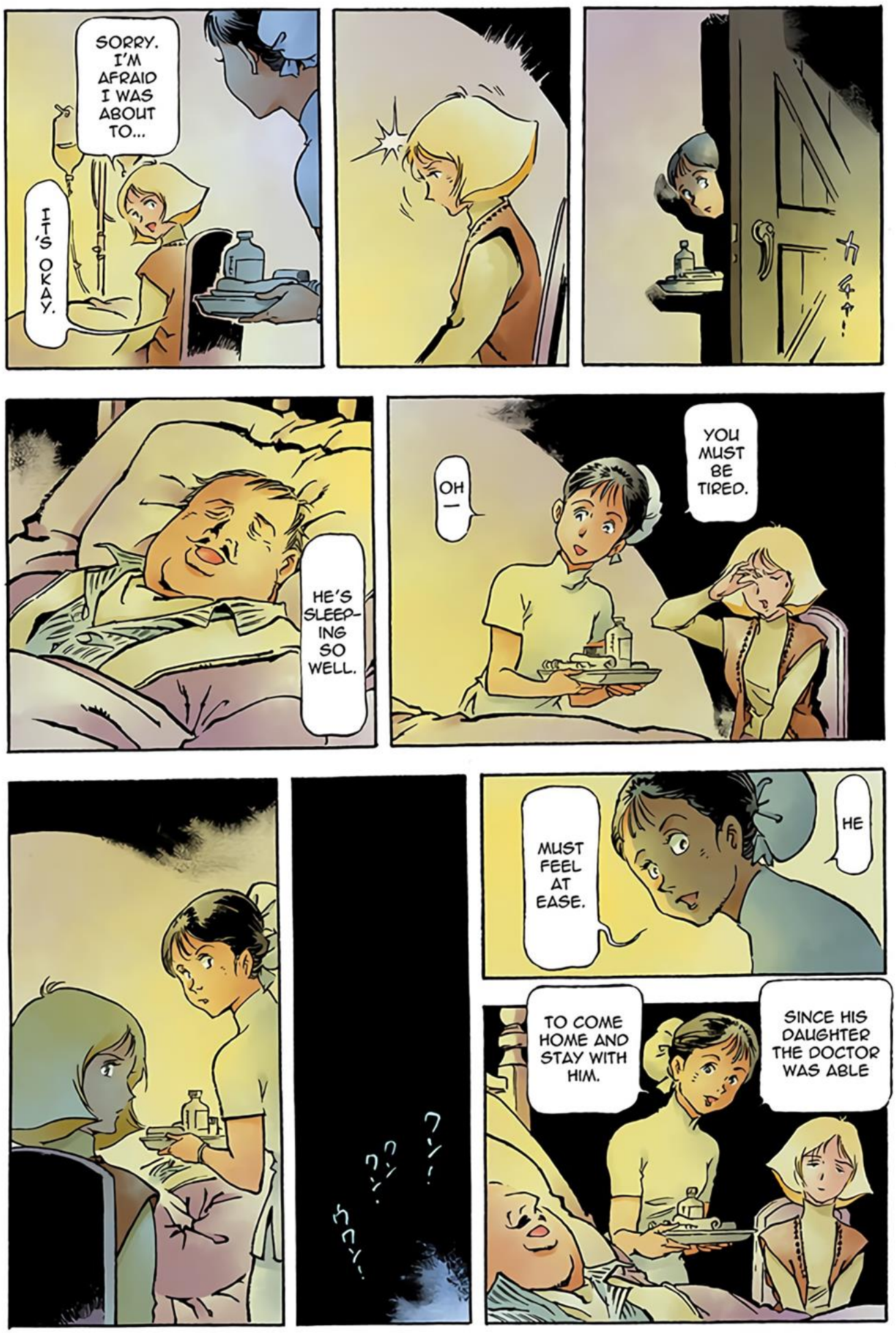
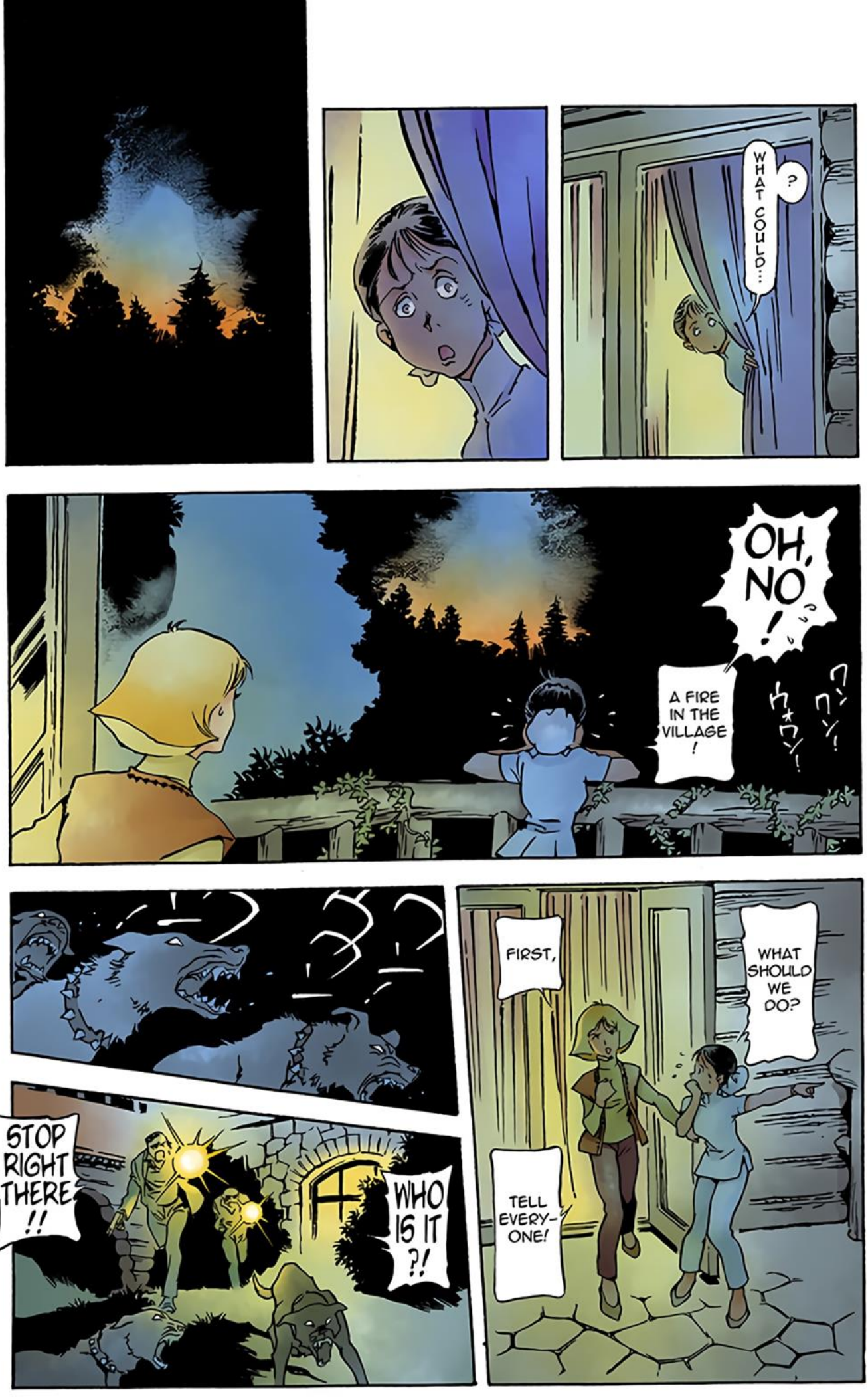
Club
Eden

I'M OFF.
SIR,
Z Z Z Z Z...
HUH ?
.....?!
THEY'RE SAYING ANYONE WHO SHOWS UP LATE WILL BE SEEN AS UN-ZEON.
I'M BEING MOBILIZED FOR THE GRAND SHOWDOWN THAT'LL SHAPE THE WORLD.
AL-READY.
CLAMP.
SIR
LT. RAL, SIR!
BUT I'M SURE I'LL BE BACK BY THE TIME YOU'RE AWAKE AGAIN.

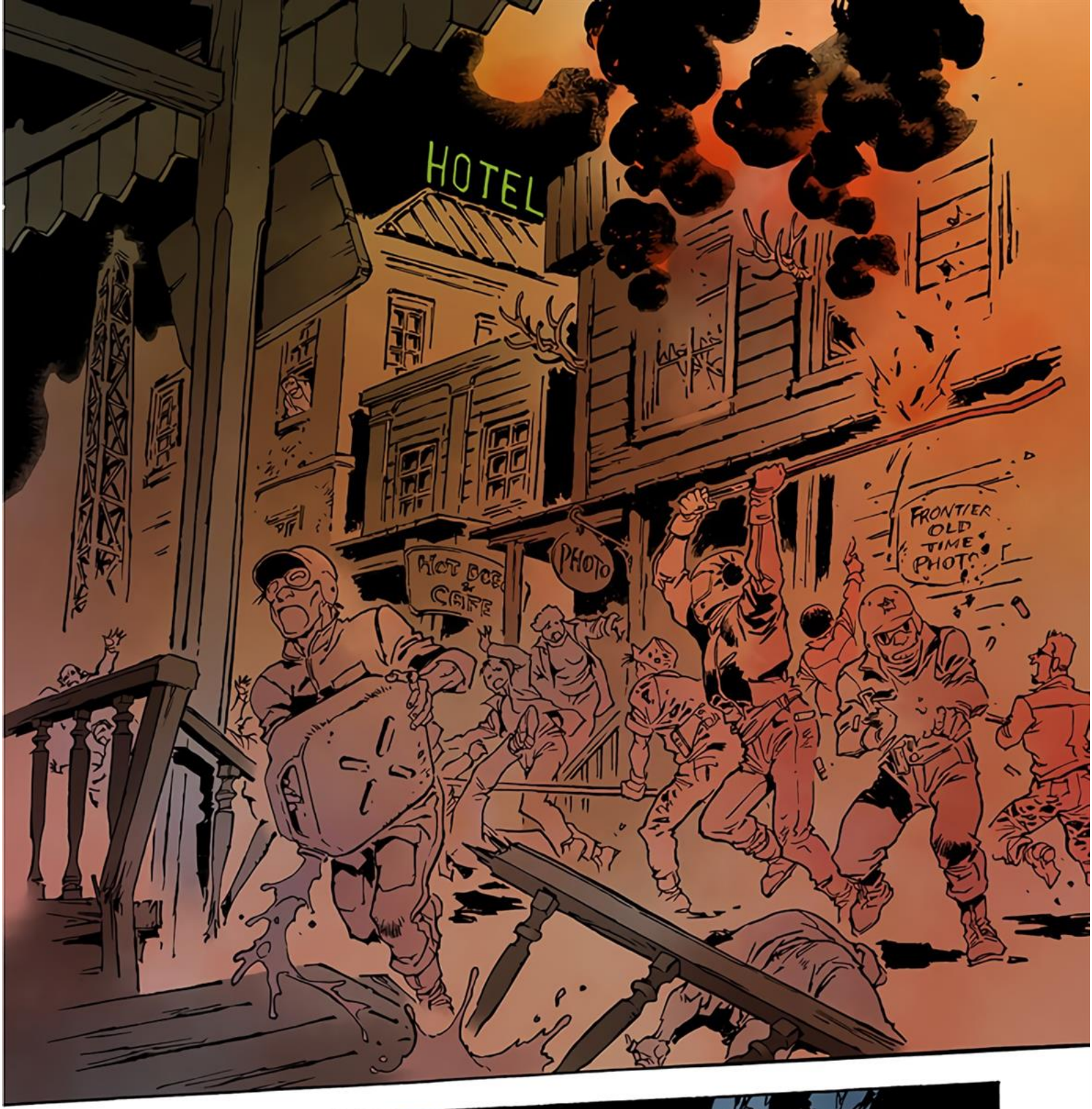
GOOD TO SEE YOU. HERE, SIT.
DRINK!
IT'S BEEN A WHILE!
CO-ZUN
I CAN'T DO THAT, SIR. EACH AND EVERY MOBILE SUIT CONTINGENT IS BEING DEPLOYED.
THE TRANSPORT SHIPS WILL BE LEAVING SOON.
I VOLUN-TEERED BECAUSE I THOUGHT WE'D GET TO FIGHT TOGETHER AGAIN
IF I BECAME A ZAKU PILOT, YOU KNOW?
THAT'S AWFUL UNKIND OF YOU
TO BOW OUT FIRST, SIR.
I SALUTE LIEU-TENANT RAL!
WILL BE HEADING TO THE LOUM FRONT, SIR!
MAS-TER SER-GEANT COZUN GRA-HAM


BUT MARK MY WORDS,
THE ZABIS ARE MURDER-ERS!!
GET OUTTA HERE.
YEAH, GO ON.
OF THEM!
DON'T YOU DIE FOR THE LIKES
YOU HEAR ME?!
NOT A DROP!!
YOU DON'T HAVE TO SHED ANY BLOOD FOR THEM,

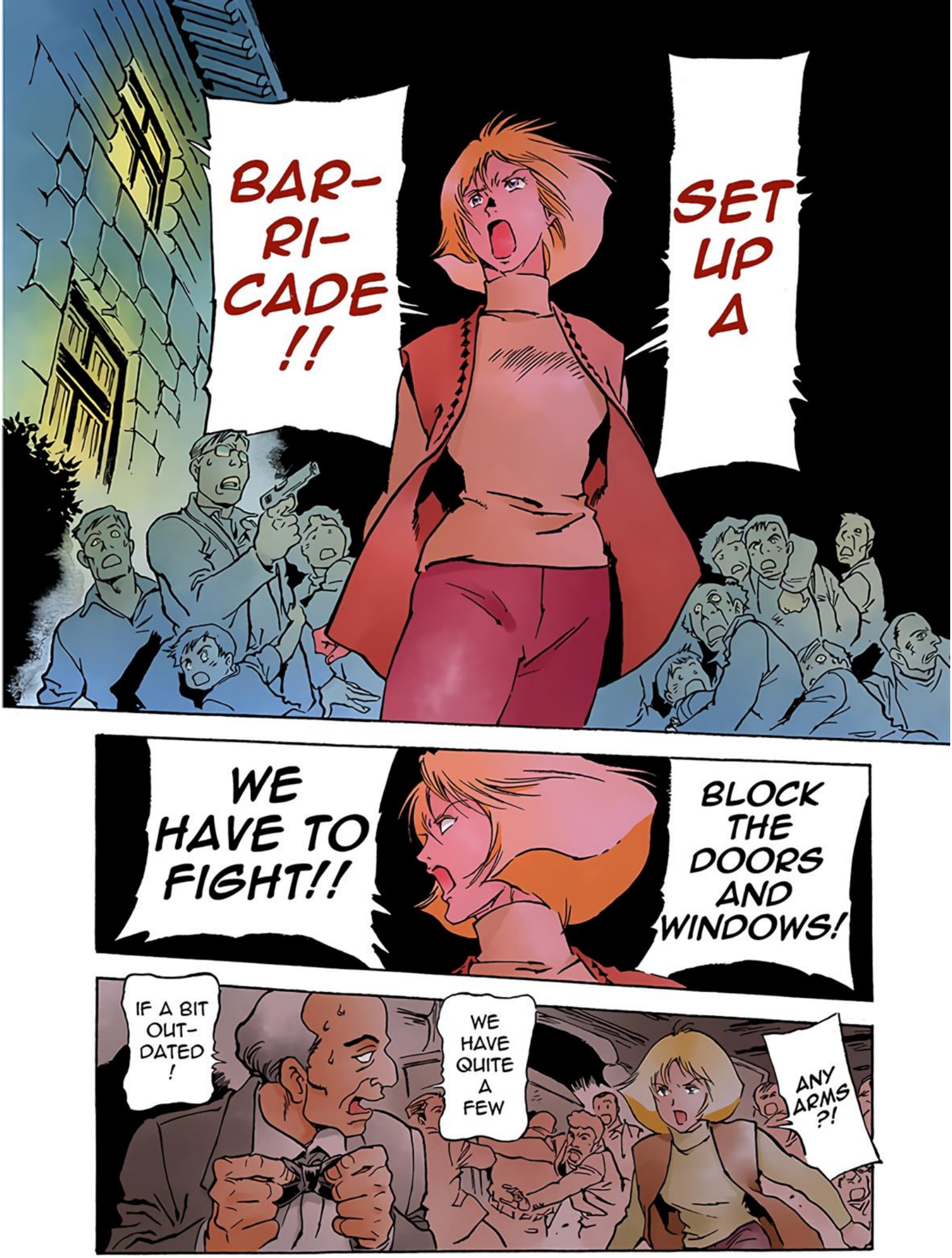

SORRY. I'M AFRAID I WAS ABOUT TO...
IT'S OKAY.
カチャ!
HE'S SLEEPING SO WELL.
OH —
YOU MUST BE TIRED.
HE MUST FEEL AT EASE.
TO COME HOME AND STAY WITH HIM.
SINCE HIS DAUGHTER THE DOCTOR WAS ABLE


WHAT COULD...?
OH, NO!
A FIRE IN THE VILLAGE!
ワン！ワン！ウォン！
FIRST,
WHAT SHOULD WE DO?
TELL EVERY-ONE!
STOP RIGHT THERE!!
WHO IS IT?!

HELP US!
STOP, OR WE'LL
SHOOT!
THE VILLAGE IS UNDER ATTACK FROM THESE GOONS WHO CAME IN
FROM THE BAY!
ACCUSING EVERYONE IN THIS PARK OF SIDING WITH ZEON.
THEY SAID THEY'LL KILL US!
THEY SET FIRE TO THE AZNABLES' HOUSE,
AND THEY'LL
SHOW UP HERE TOO ANY SECOND!!

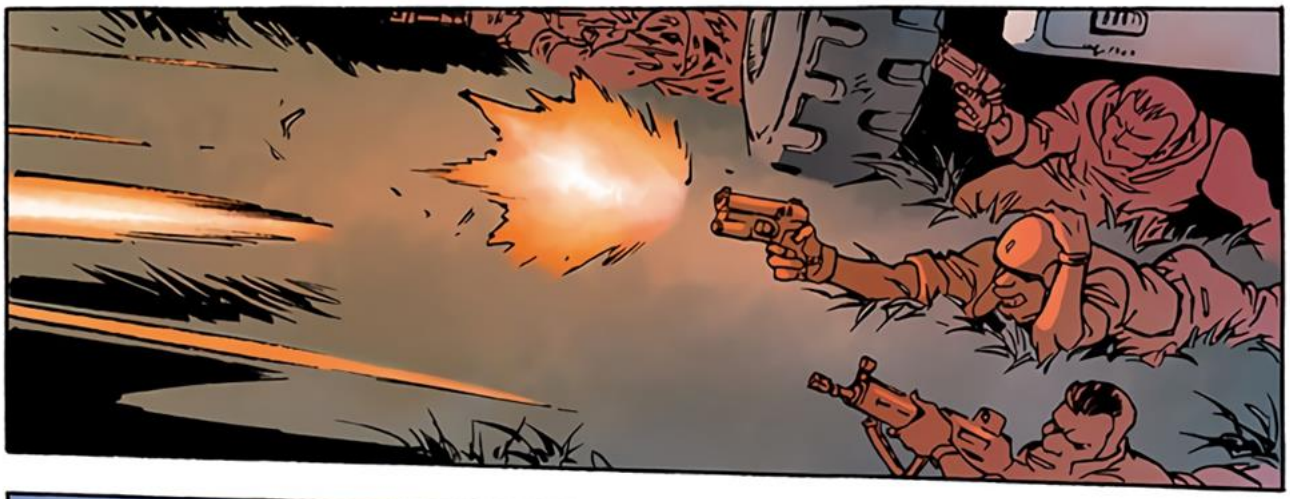

HOTEL
HOT DOG & CAFE
PHOTO
FRONTIER OLD TIME PHOTO

IT'S THEM
AAAGH


SET UP A
BAR-RI-CADE !!
BLOCK THE DOORS AND WINDOWS!
WE HAVE TO FIGHT!!
ANY ARMS ?!
WE HAVE QUITE A FEW
IF A BIT OUT-DATED !

EVER SEEN ONE OF THESE,
LADY ?!
IT'S A COW-BOY RIFLE.
YOU MIGHT LIKE THE LEVER-ACTION
AND THE FACT THAT IT HOLDS EIGHT BULLETS.

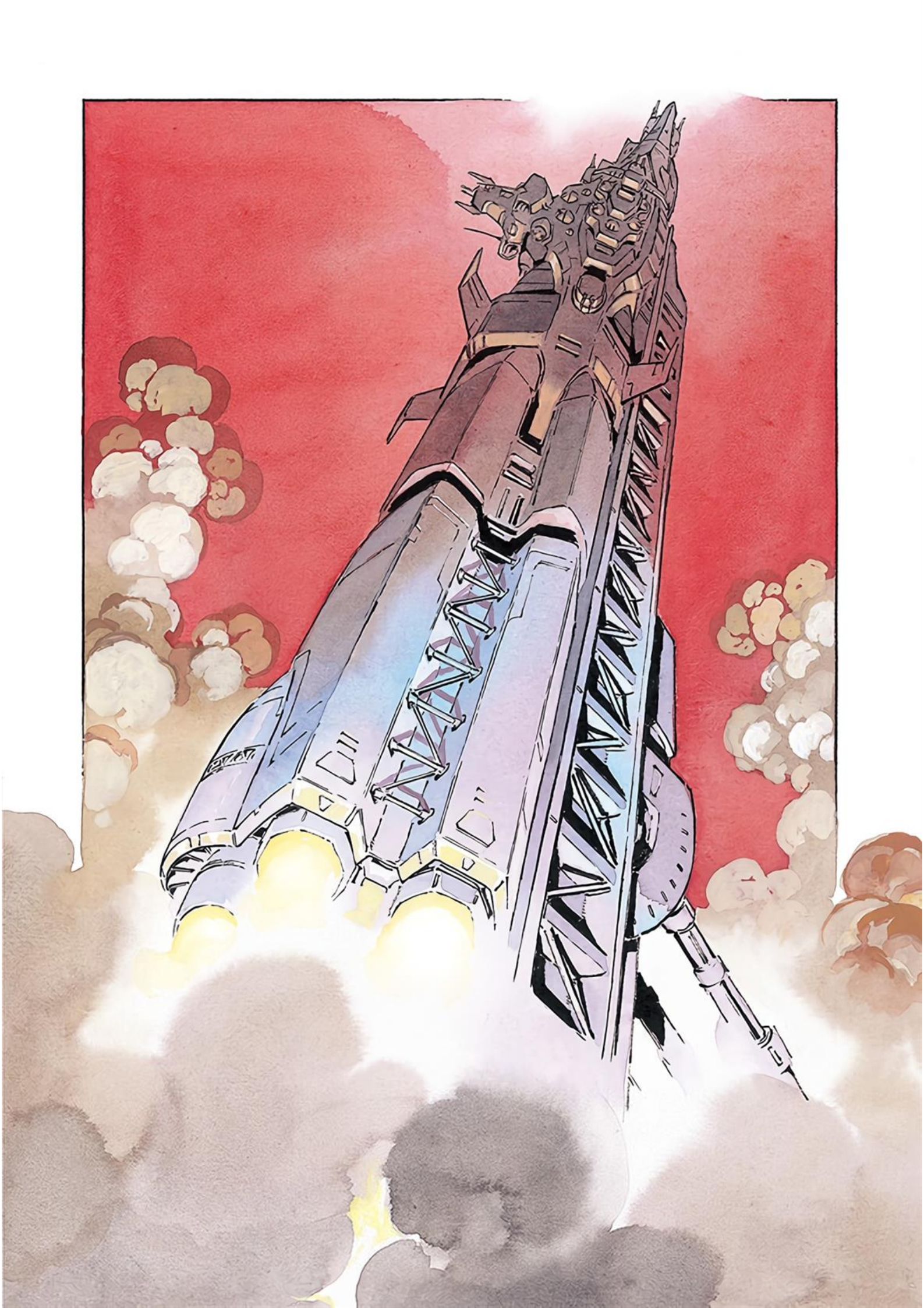
¡AAR
K-CHAK!

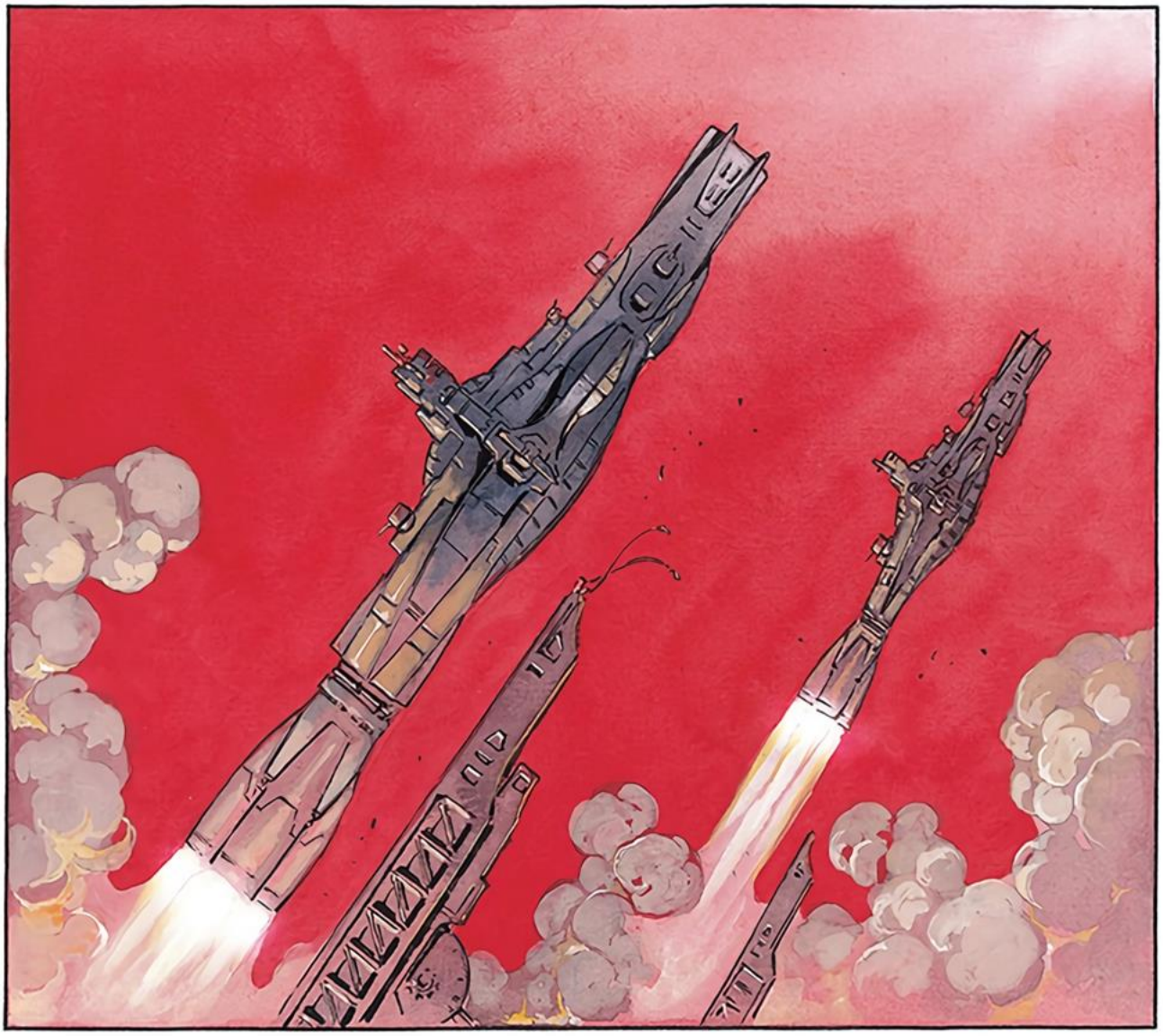


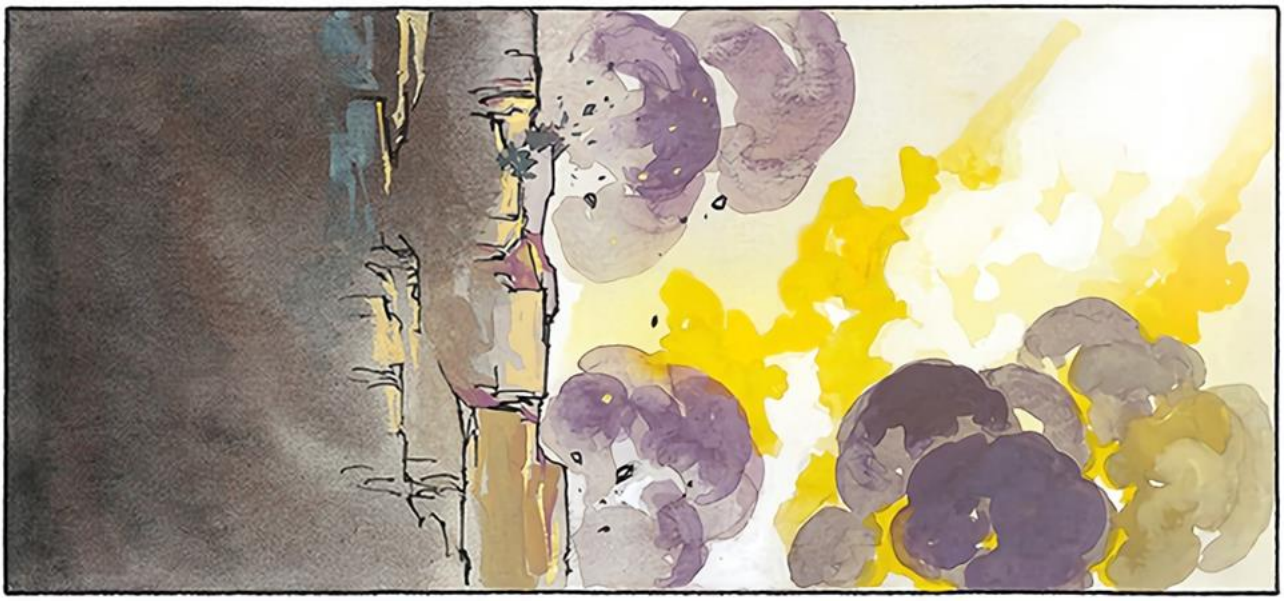
WHAT'S GOING ON?!
EH?!

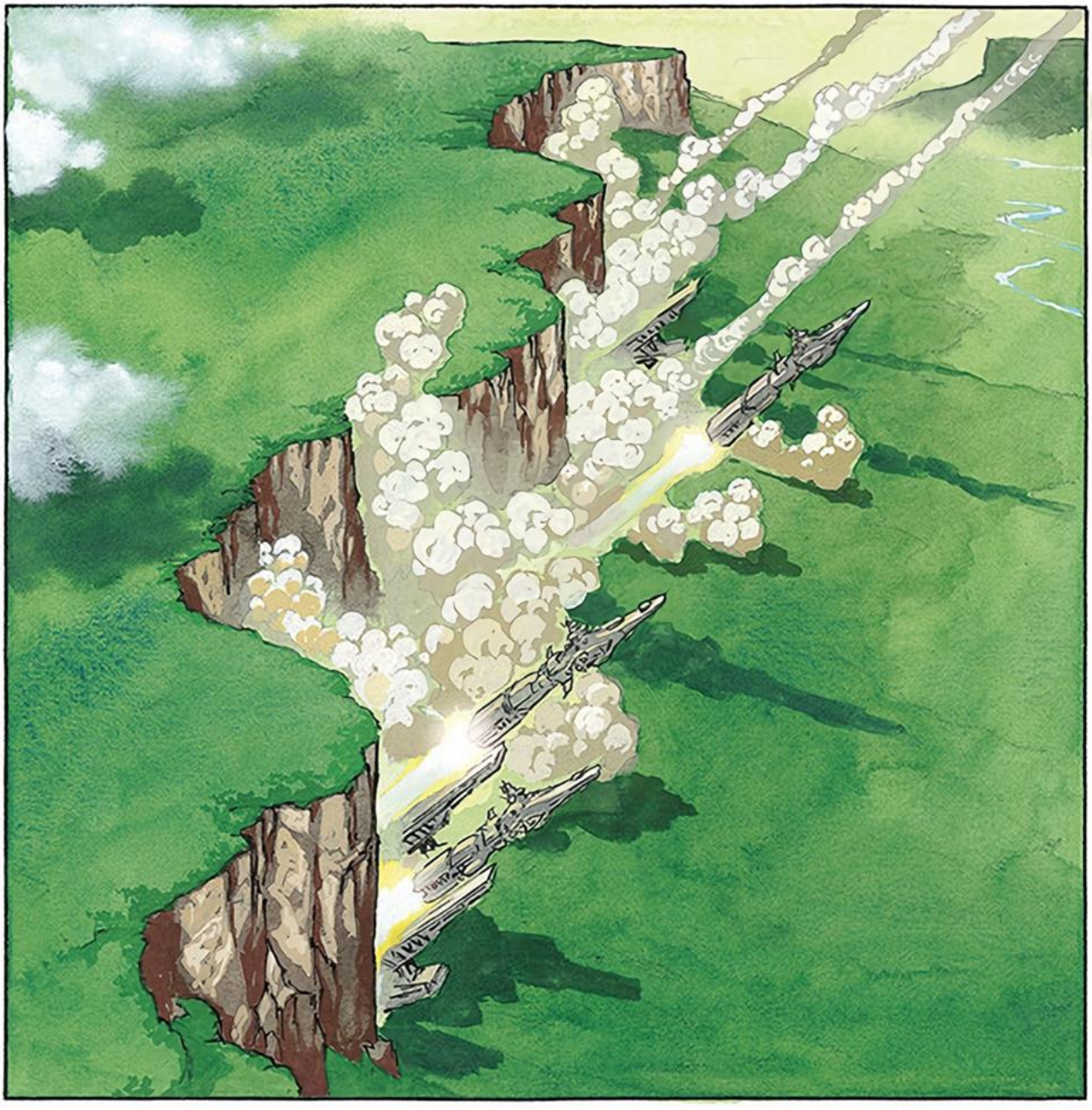
WHAT IS IT?

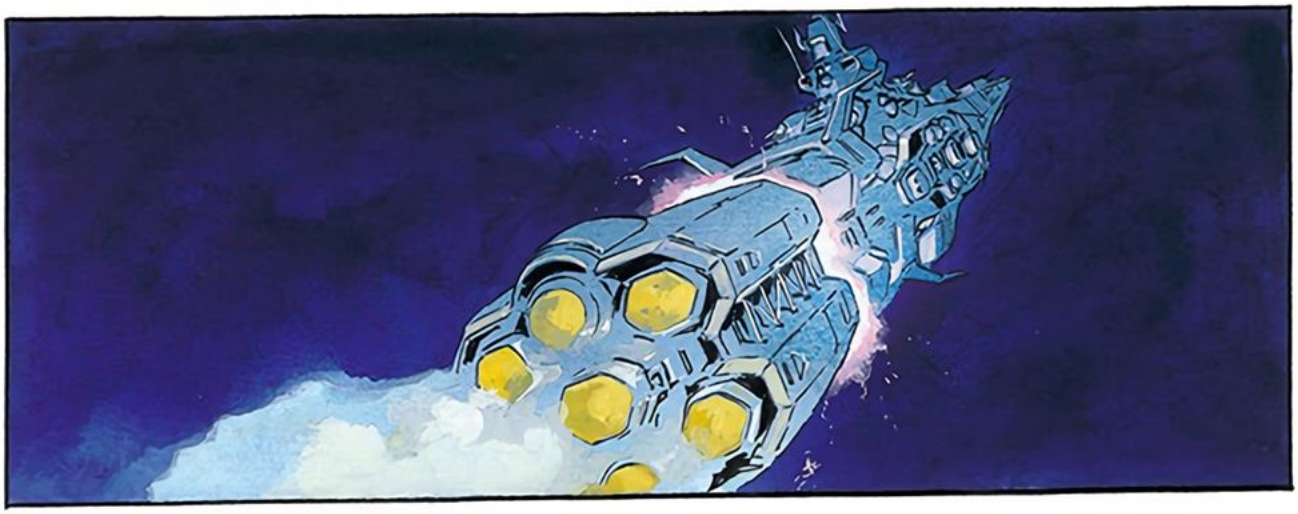
SE-
DATE
HIM,
NOW!
MY
SAY-
LA?
WHERE
IS
SAYLA
?!

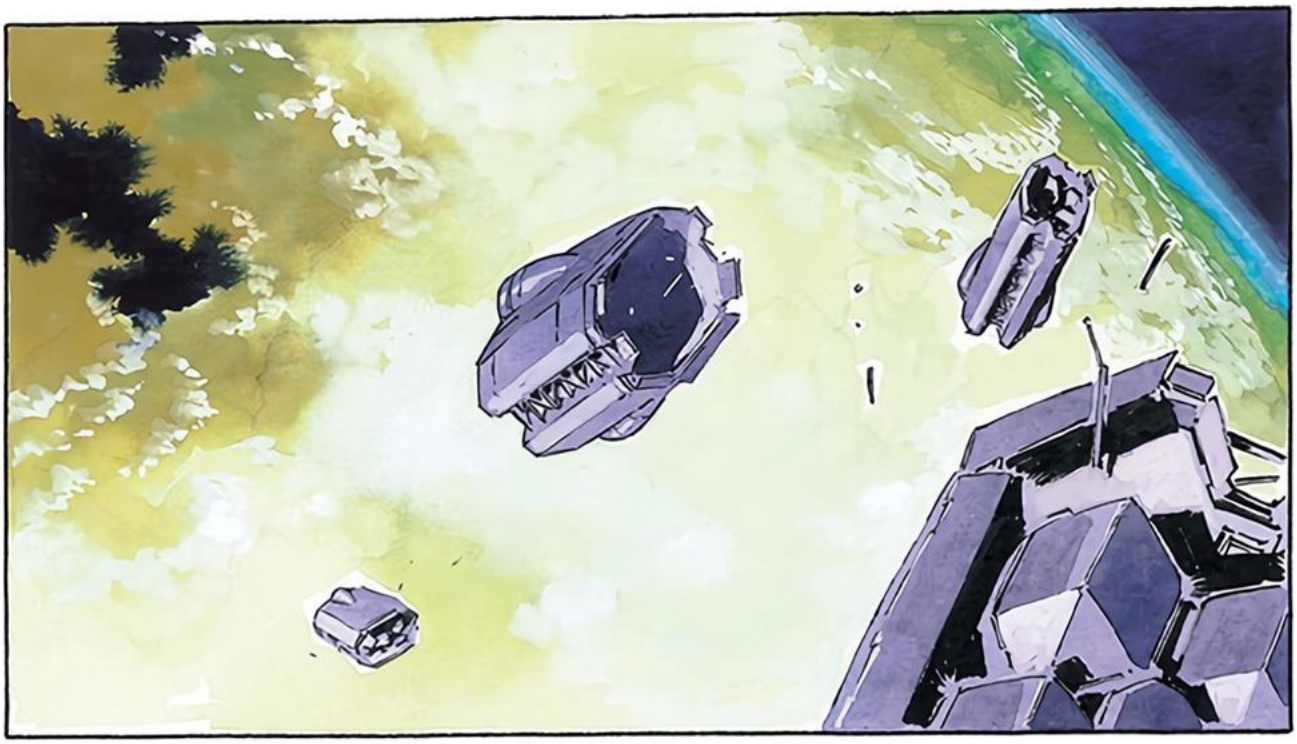


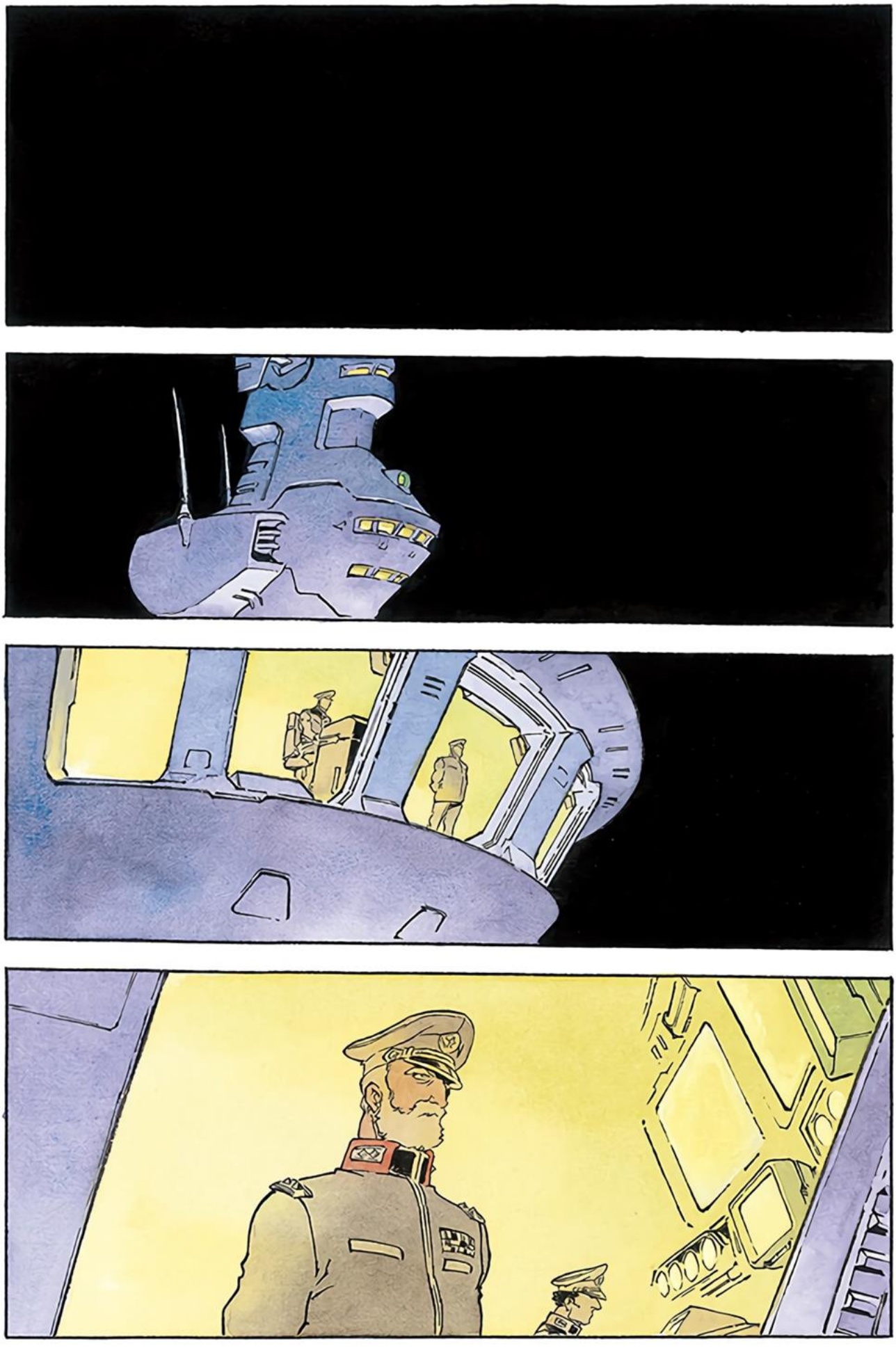


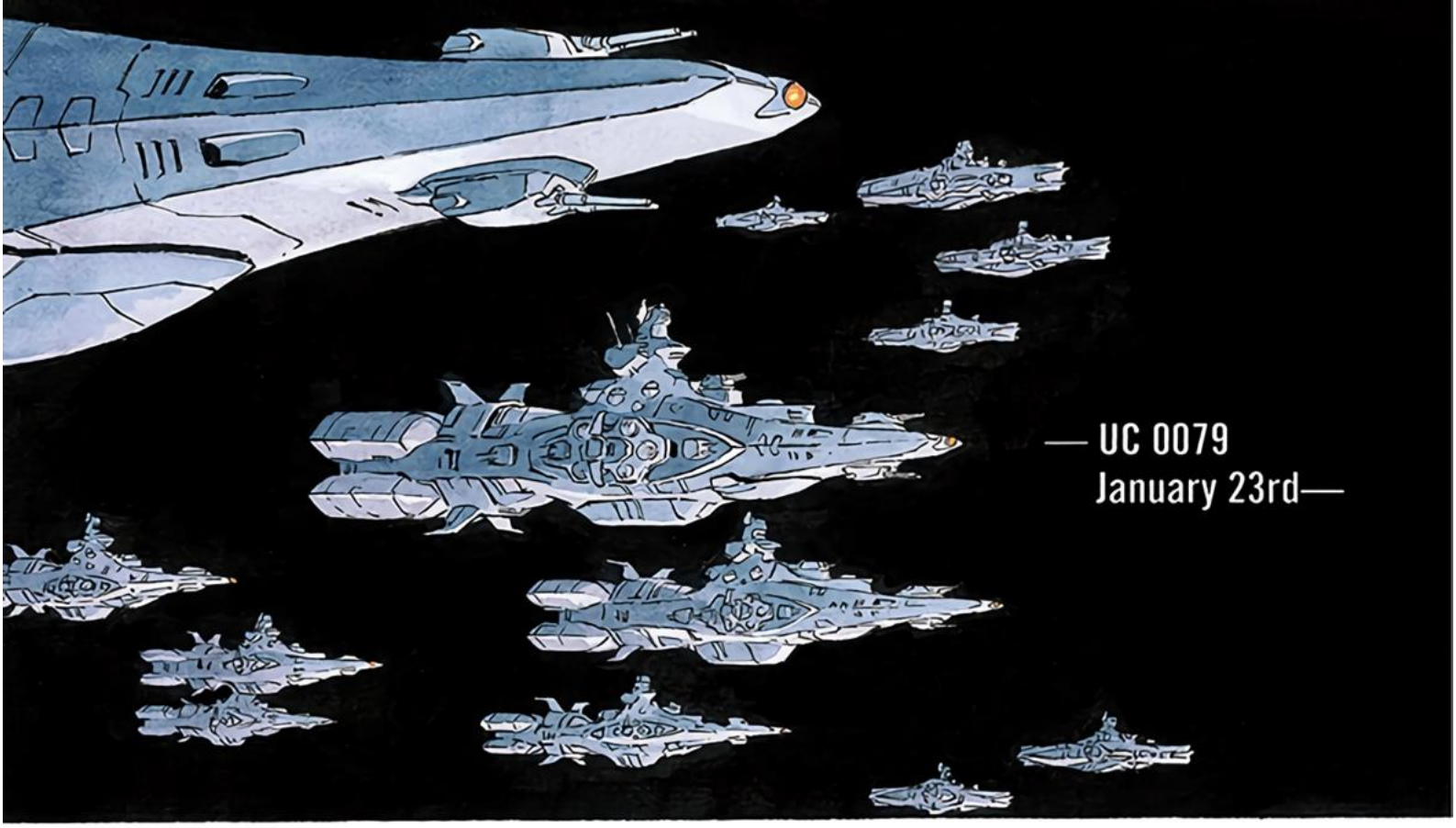








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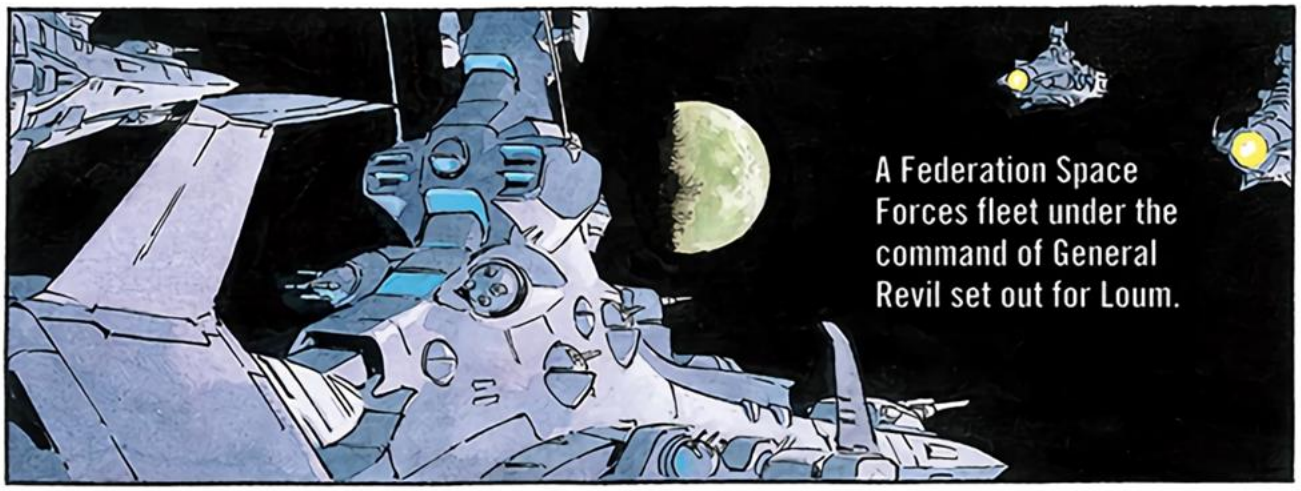
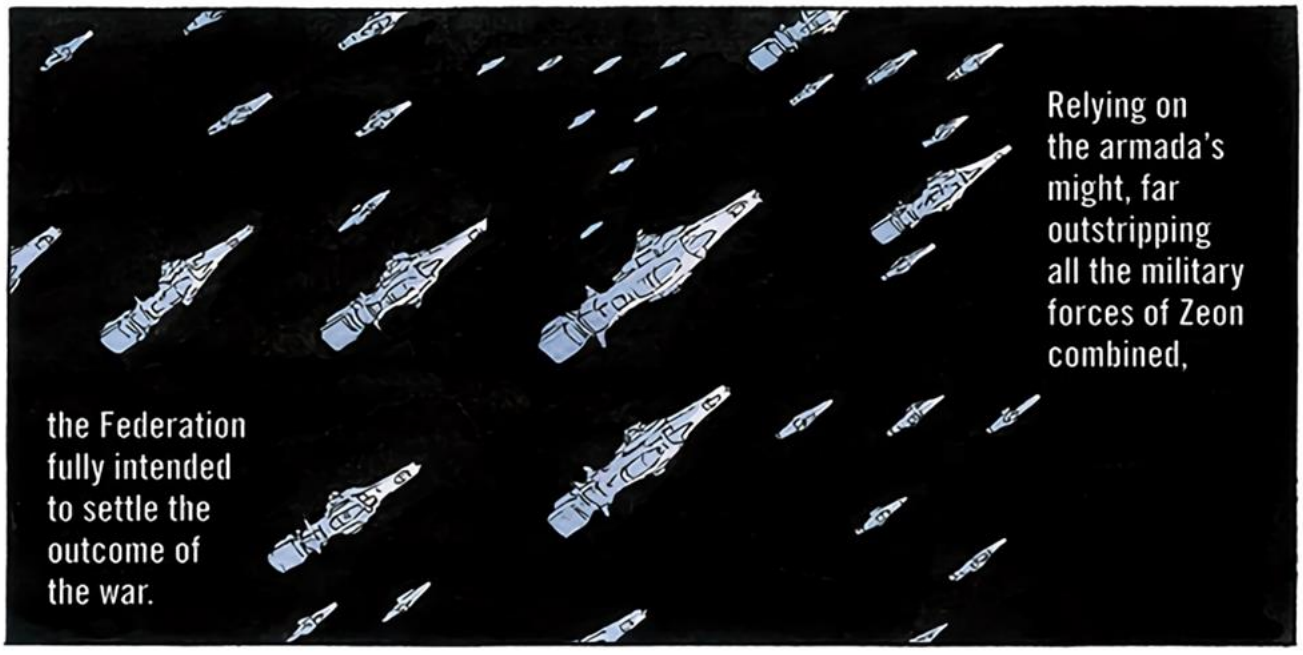
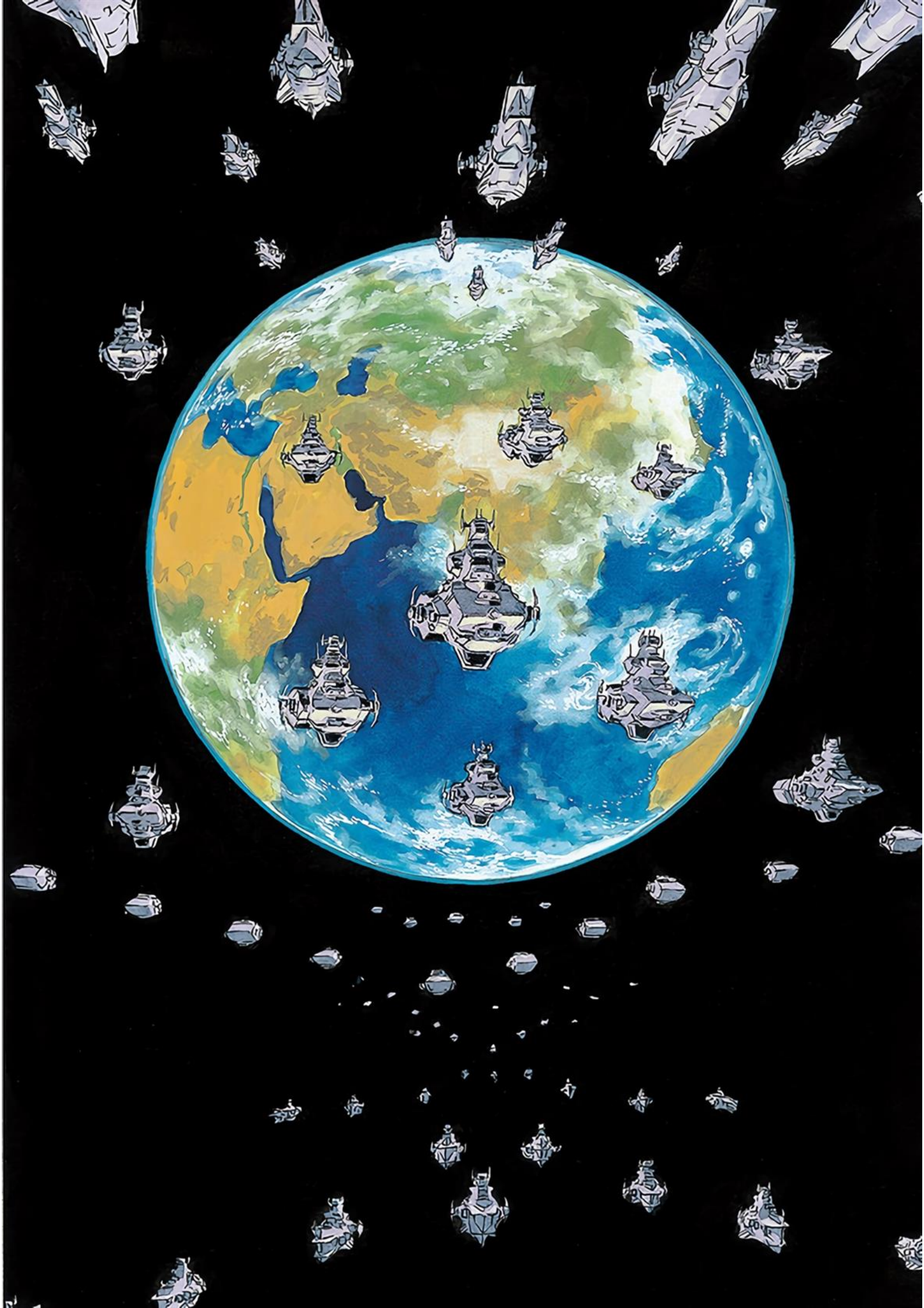
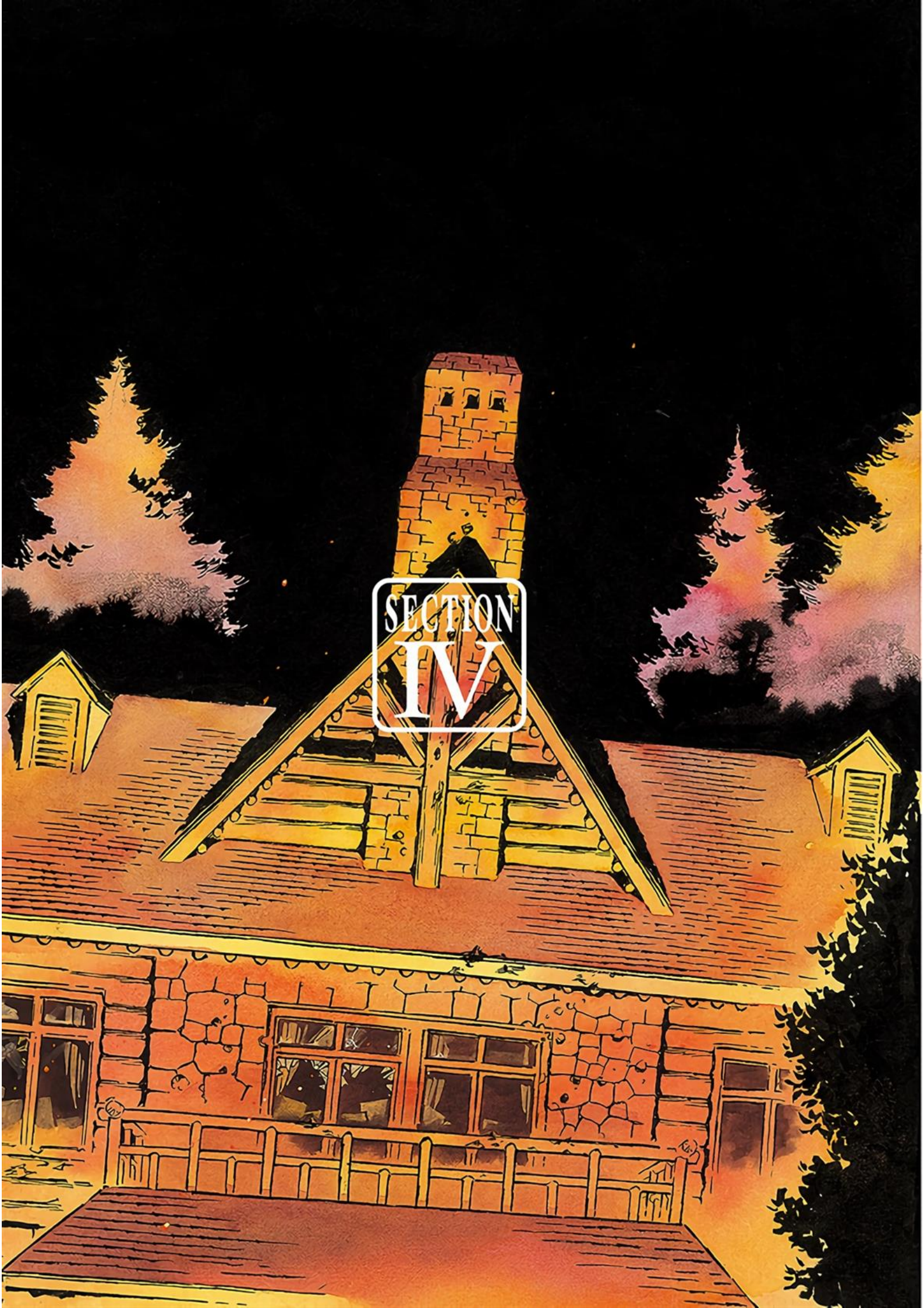

A Federation Space Forces fleet under the command of General Revil set out for Loum.


Relying on the armada's might, far outstripping all the military forces of Zeon combined,
the Federation fully intended to settle the outcome of the war.

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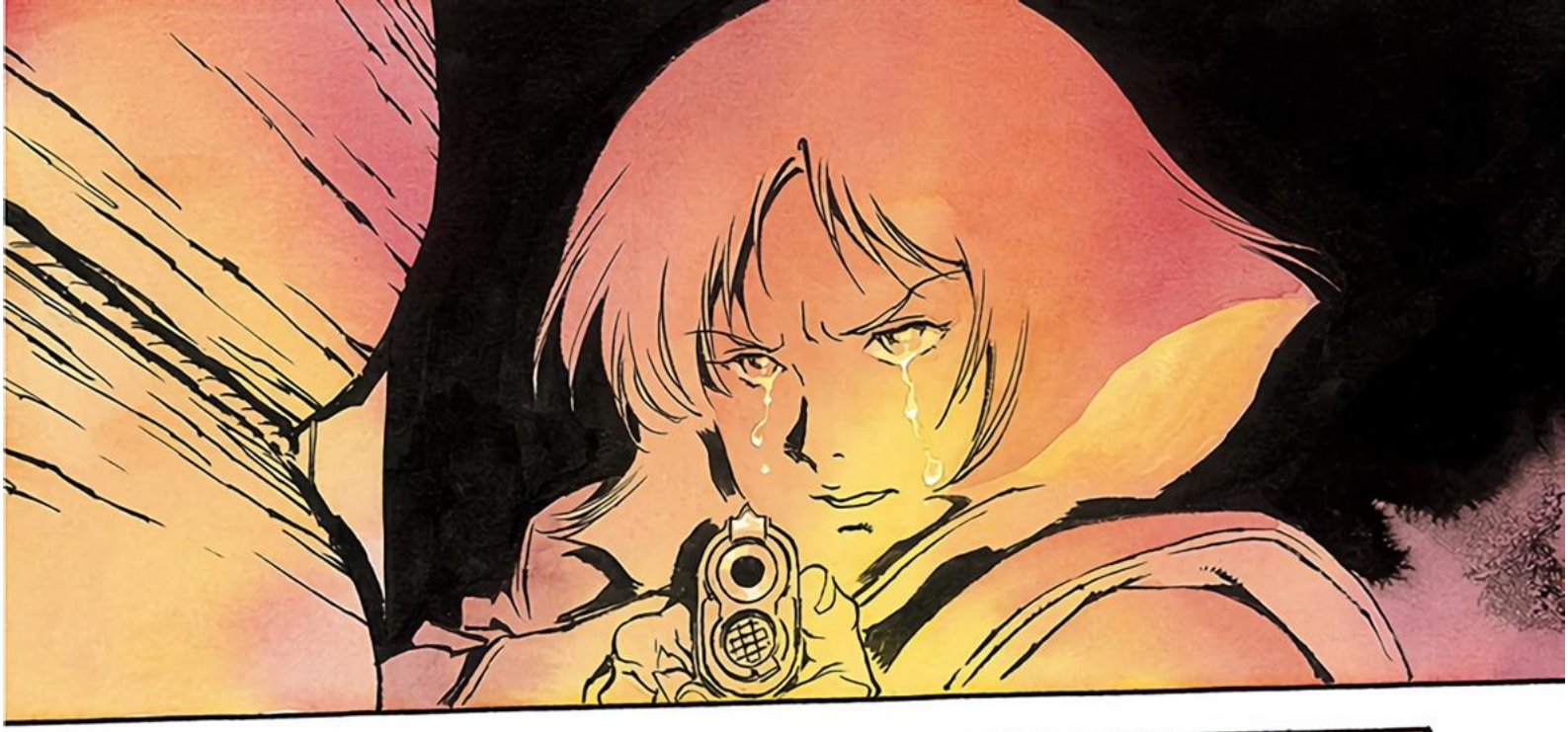

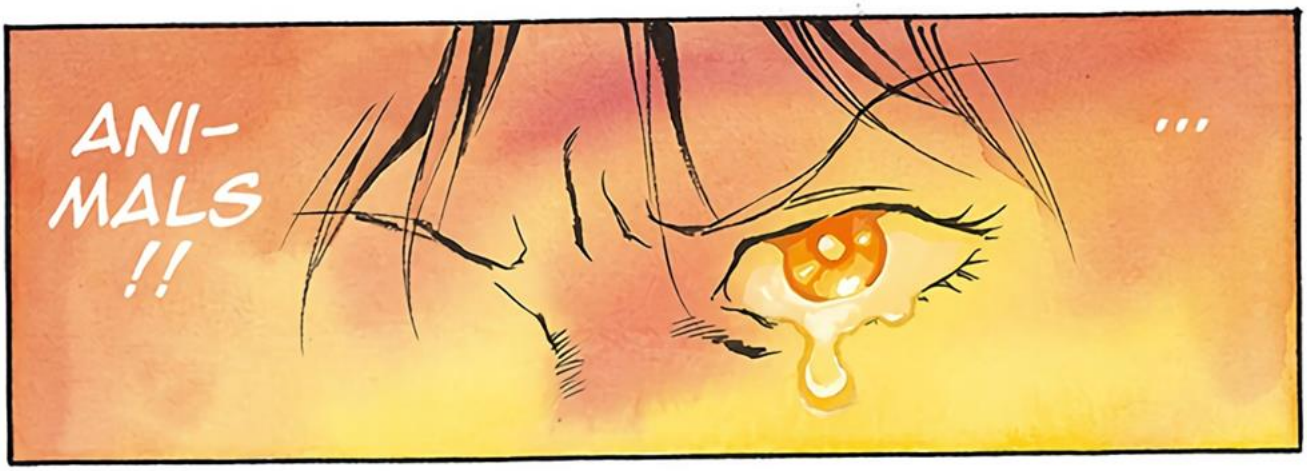
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MALS
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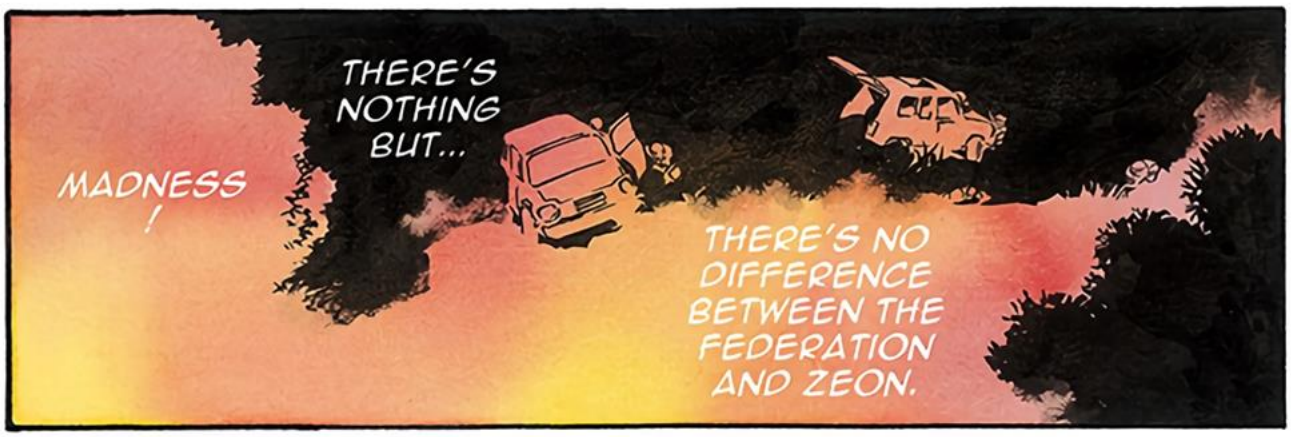
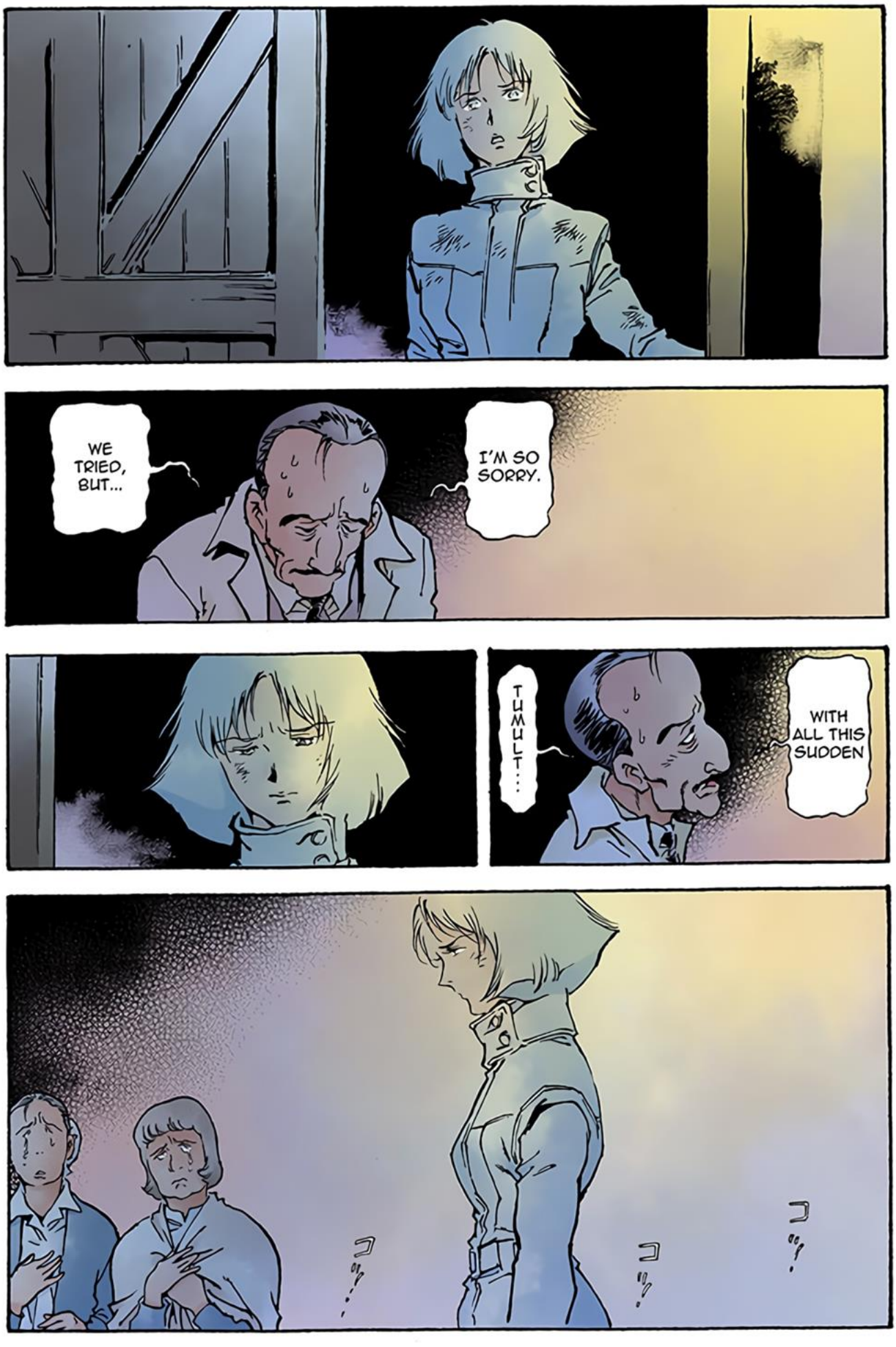

THERE'S NOTHING BUT...
MADNESS!
THERE'S NO DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE FEDERATION AND ZEON.

WHAT DROVE EVERYONE CRAZY?!
HATE?!
GREED?!
OR...

AAAGH
DON'T RUN AWAY
PUT OUT
THE FIRE !!

EVERYONE GET TO THE ROOM AT THE END OF THE SECOND FLOOR!
IT'S ALL RIGHT,
YOU'LL BE OKAY!
IF ONLY MR. AZ-NABLE WERE HERE.
AH ...
Eeek
Eeek
ER ...
PLEASE, DON'T LET ANYONE IN!
GO AROUND TO THE BACK!


WE TRIED, BUT...
I'M SO SORRY.
TUMULT...
WITH ALL THIS SUDDEN
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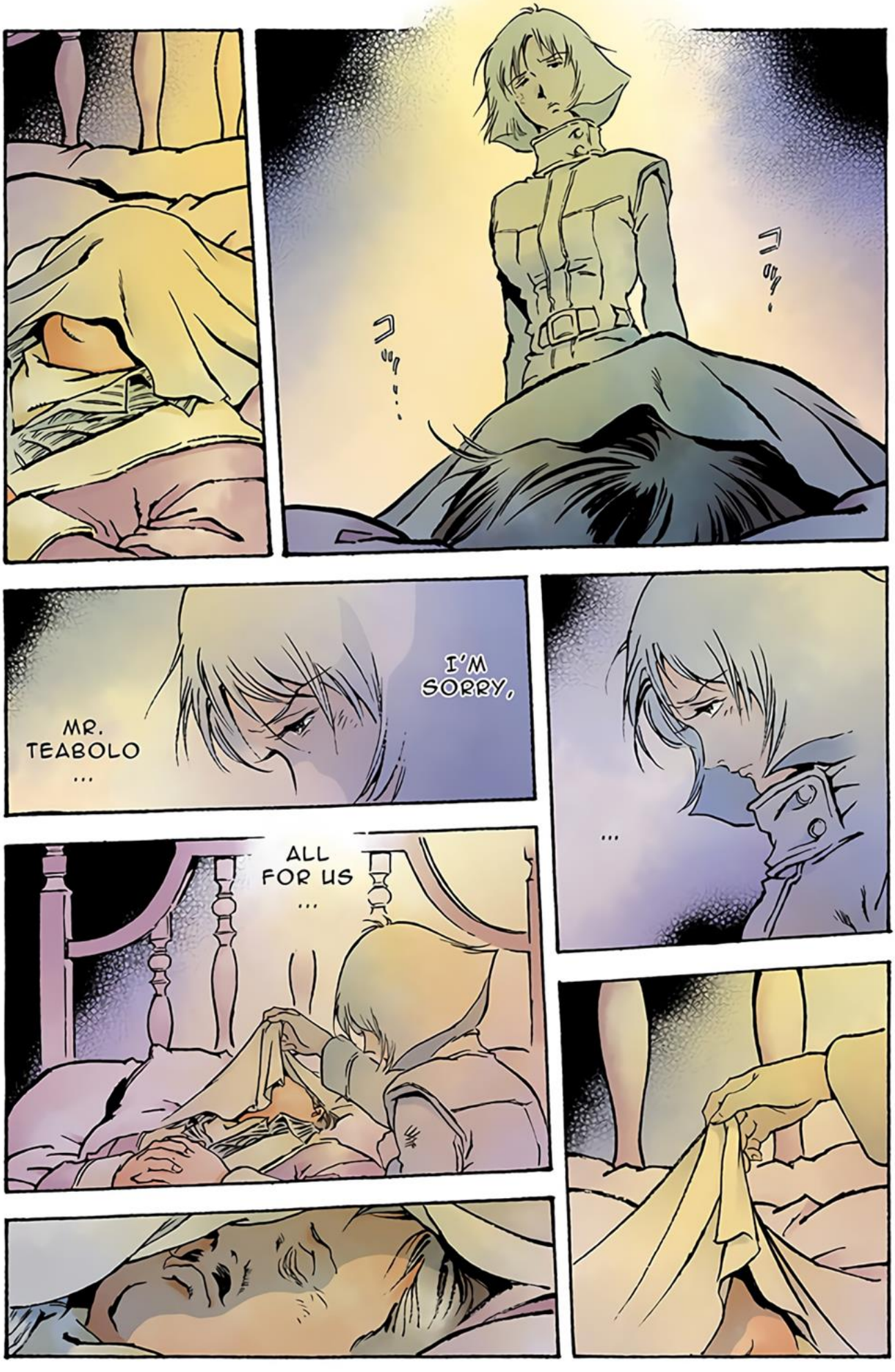
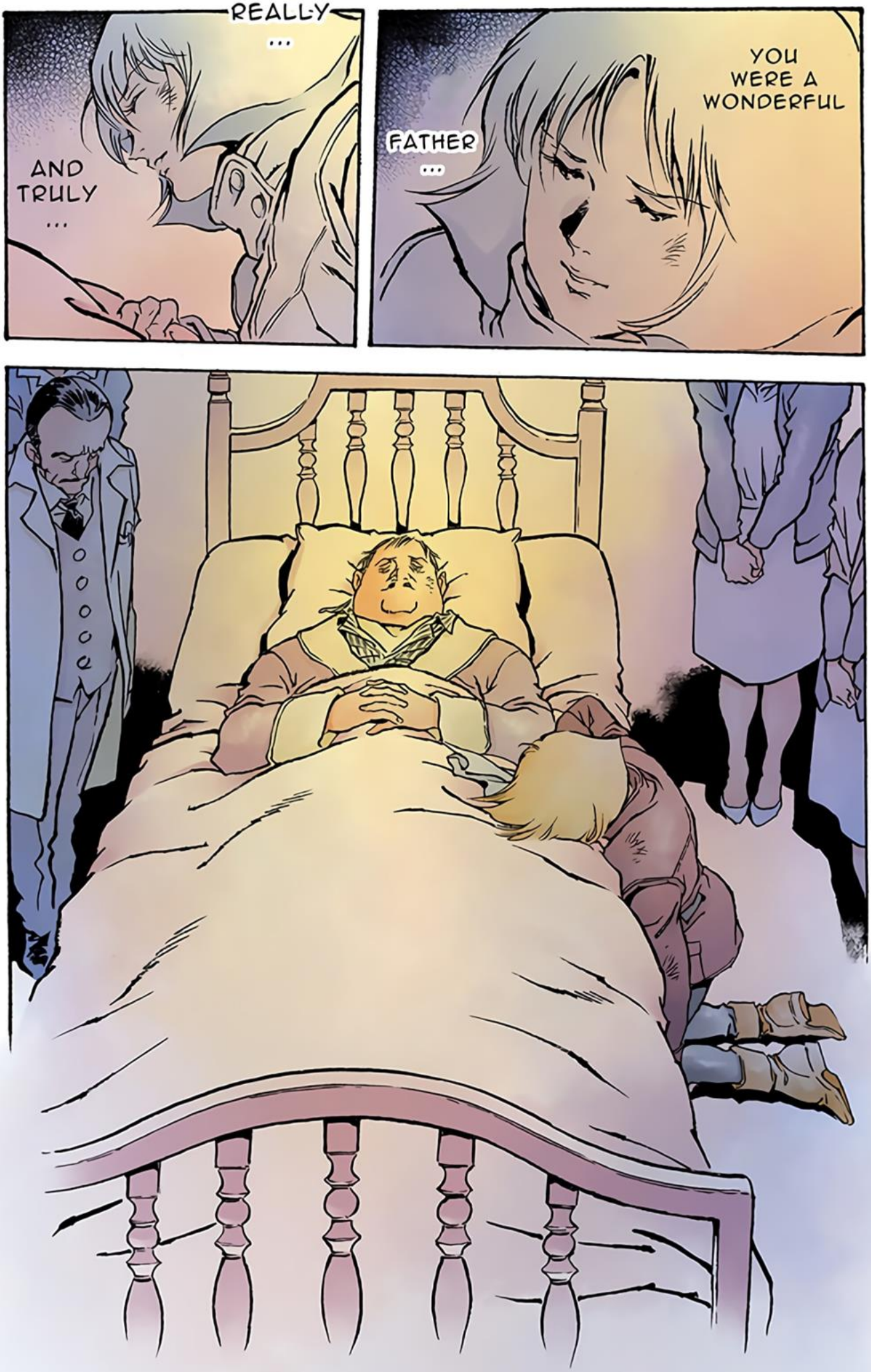
コ゛ッ!
コ゛ッ!


I'M SORRY,
MR. TEABOLO ...
...
ALL FOR US ...


REALLY
...
AND
TRULY
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FATHER
...
YOU
WERE A
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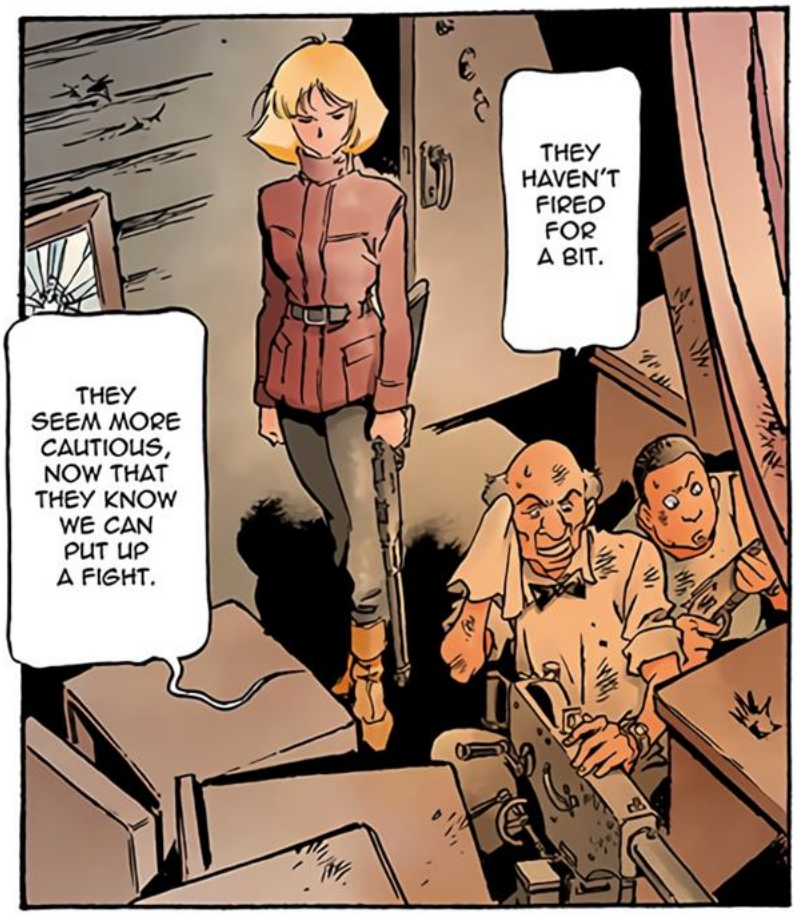
AH, MISS SAY-LA.

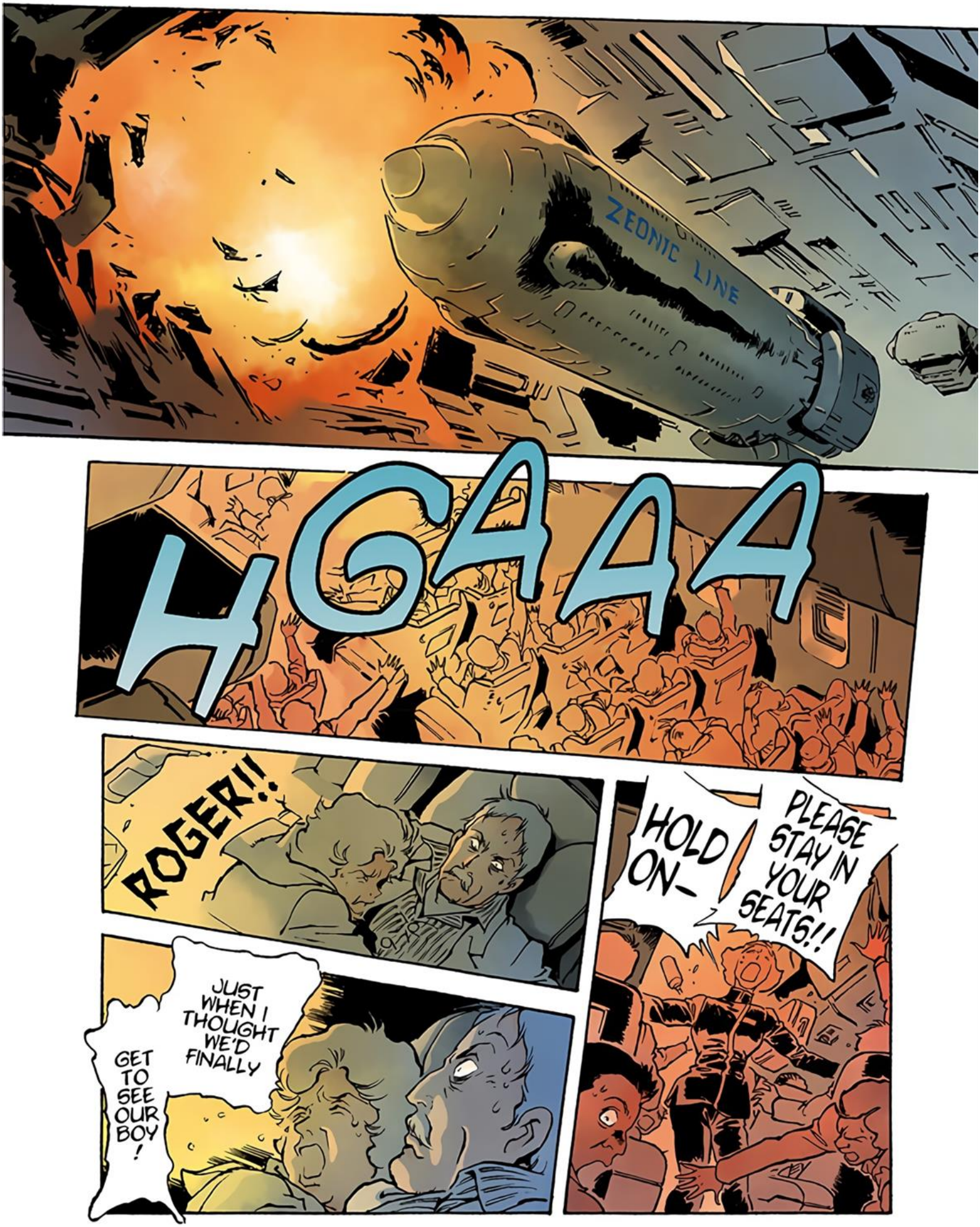

THEY HAVEN'T FIRED FOR A BIT.
THEY SEEM MORE CAUTIOUS, NOW THAT THEY KNOW WE CAN PUT UP A FIGHT.

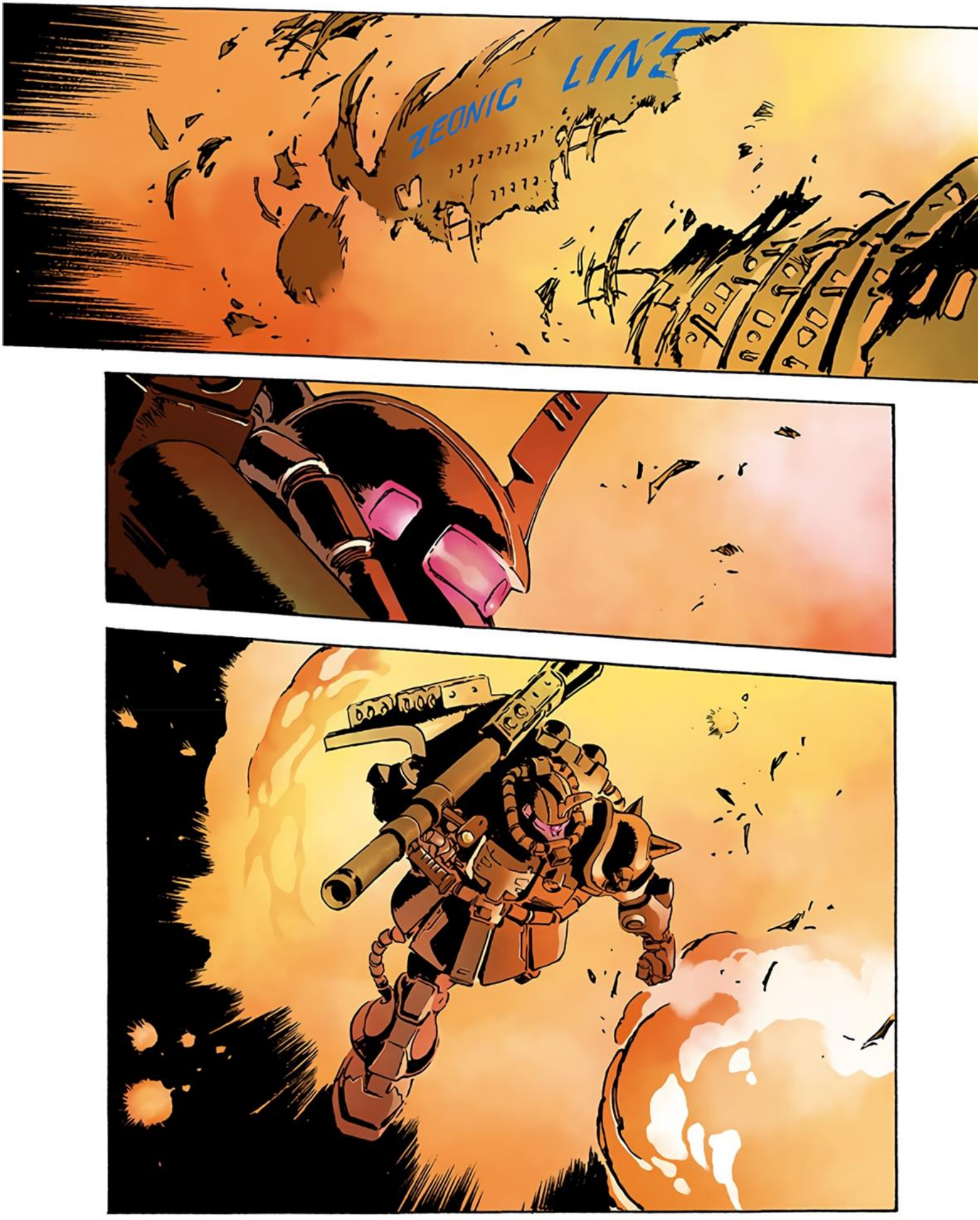
HOW LONG OUR AMMO WILL LAST.
THE QUES-TION IS
I WISH THEY'D JUST GIVE UP AND GO BACK TO MIRANDA BUNCH.
I SURE DO...
?!

WHAT'S THAT ?!!
?
DAWN TIME SO SOON ?
NO WAY ...
YA FOOL !

AN ATTACK ?!!

whoaa
MIRAN-DA'S BAY!


ZEONIC LINE
HGAAA
ROGER!!
HOLD ON—
PLEASE STAY IN YOUR SEATS!!
JUST WHEN I THOUGHT WE'D FINALLY
GET TO SEE OUR BOY!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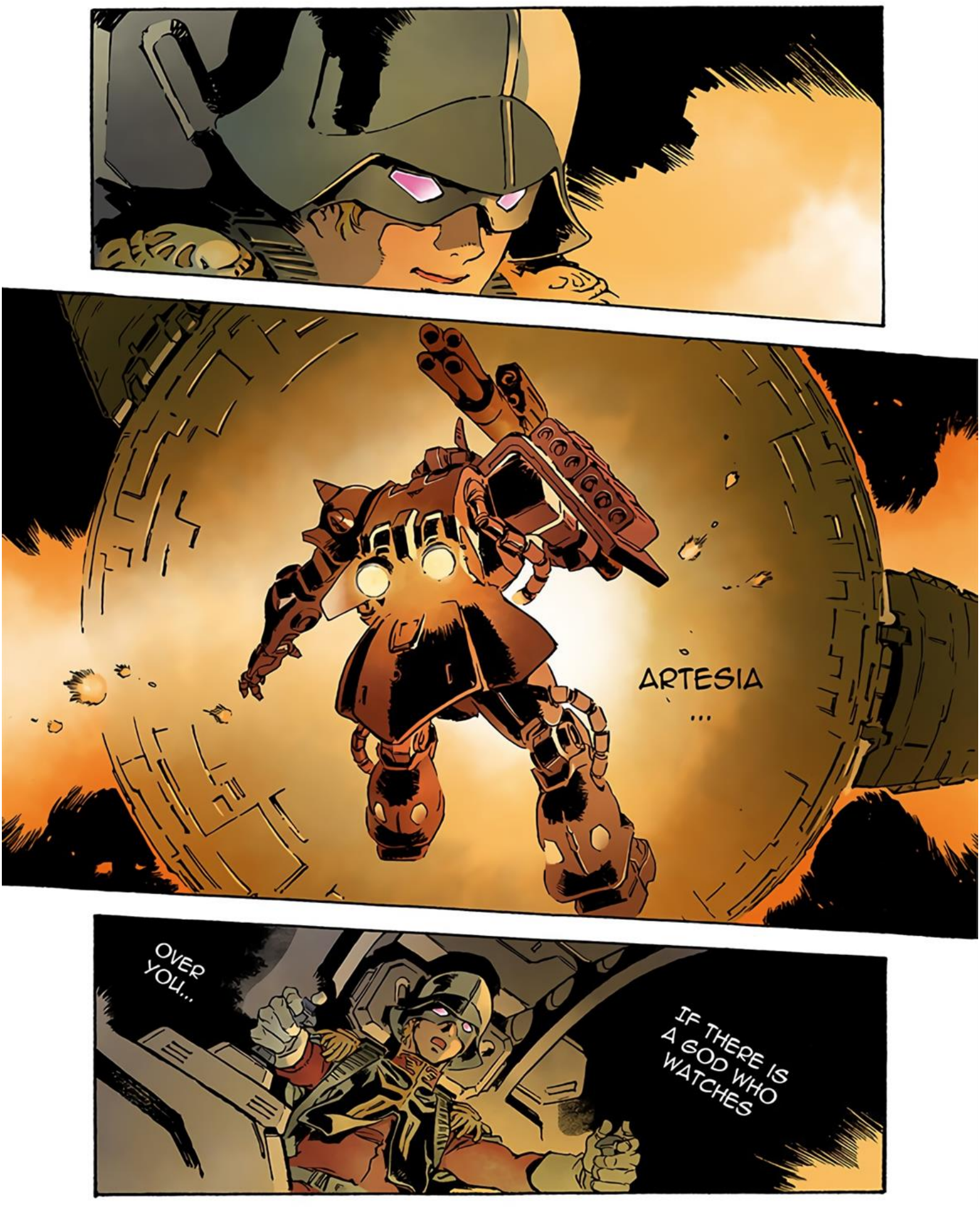
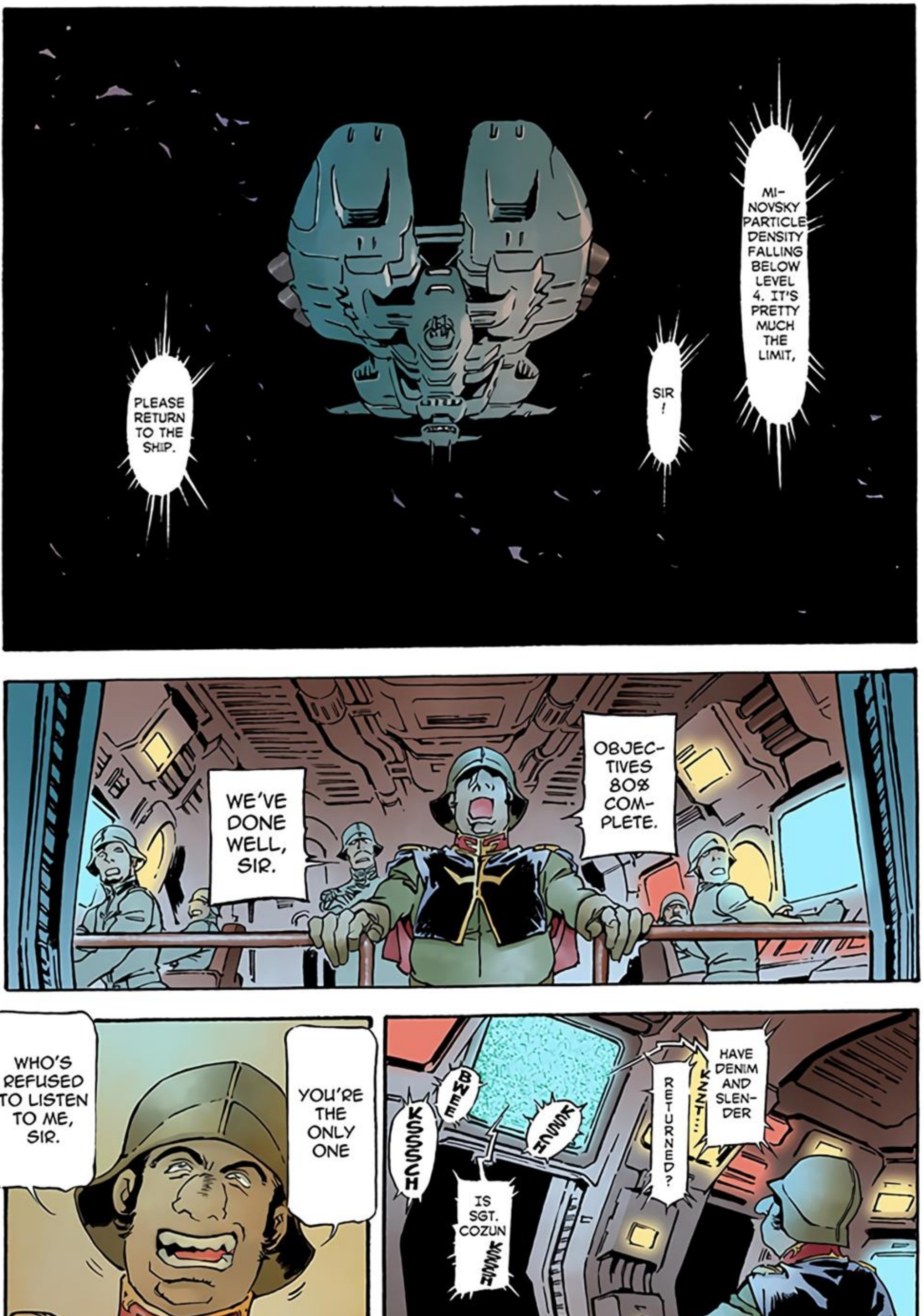

ARTESIA
...
OVER YOU...
IF THERE IS A GOD WHO WATCHES

RIGHT NOW.
...THEN YOU ARE NOT HERE
HURRY— GET OUT.
IF YOU ARE HERE...
TO FIND A WAY.
I KNOW IT'S IN YOU
NOW, WHILE YOU STILL CAN.
LT. CHAR, SIR.
SIR.


MI-
NOVSKY
PARTICLE
DENSITY
FALLING
BELOW
LEVEL
4. IT'S
PRETTY
MUCH
THE
LIMIT,
SIR
!
PLEASE
RETURN
TO THE
SHIP.
OBJEC-
TIVES
80%
COM-
PLETE.
WE'VE
DONE
WELL,
SIR.
HAVE
DENIM
AND
SLEN-
DER
KZZT...
RETURNED?
KSSSCH
BWEE
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IS
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YOU'RE
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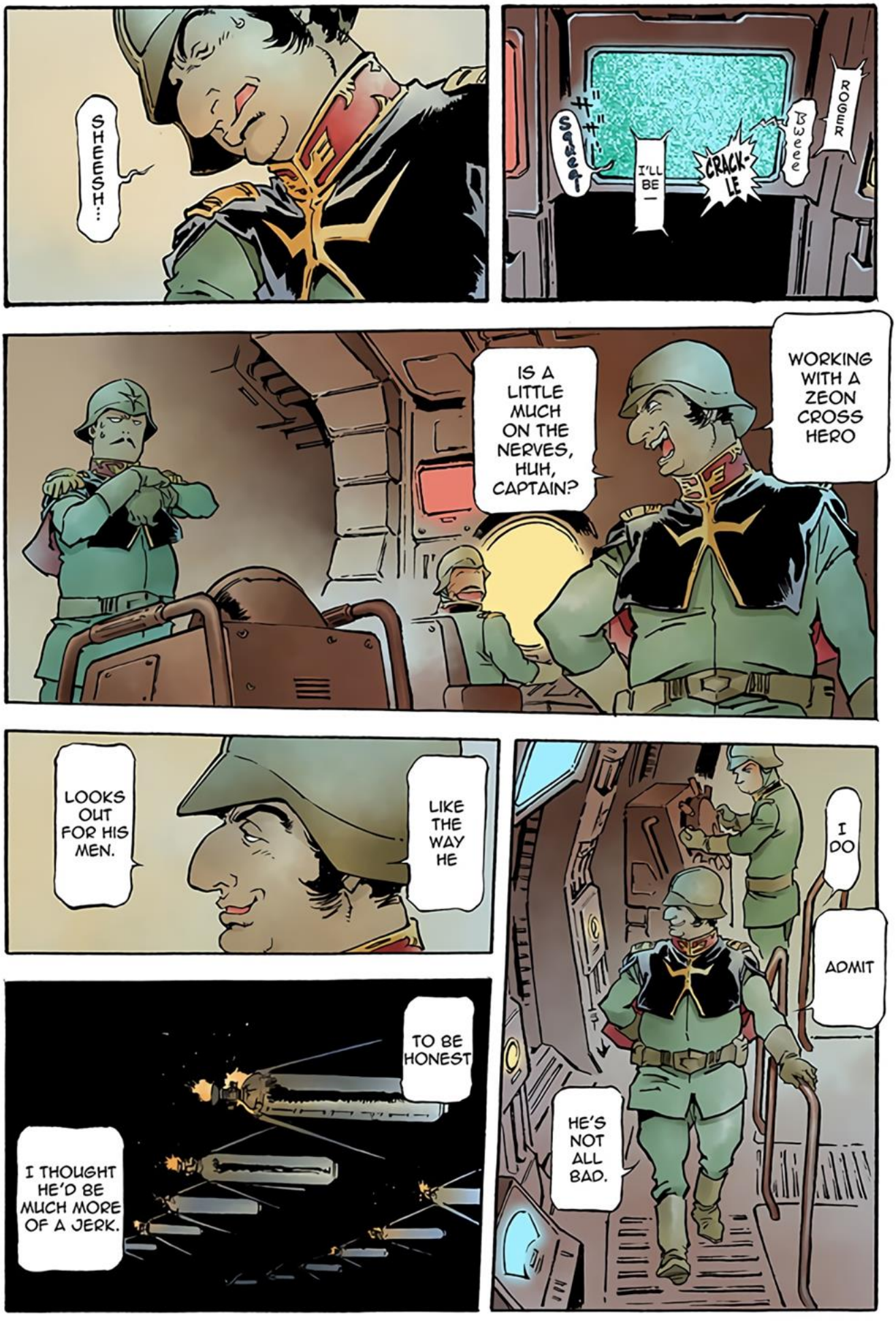
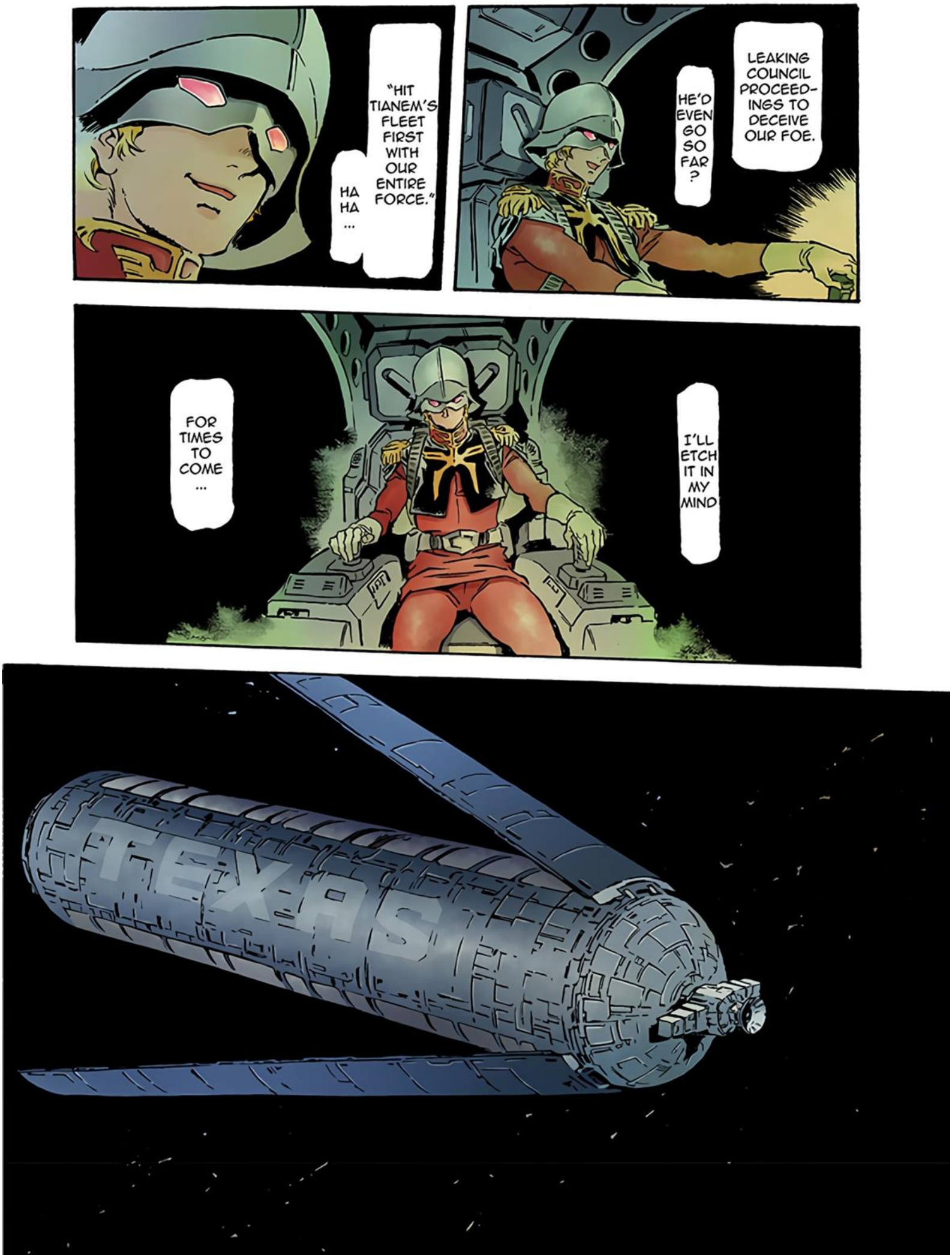
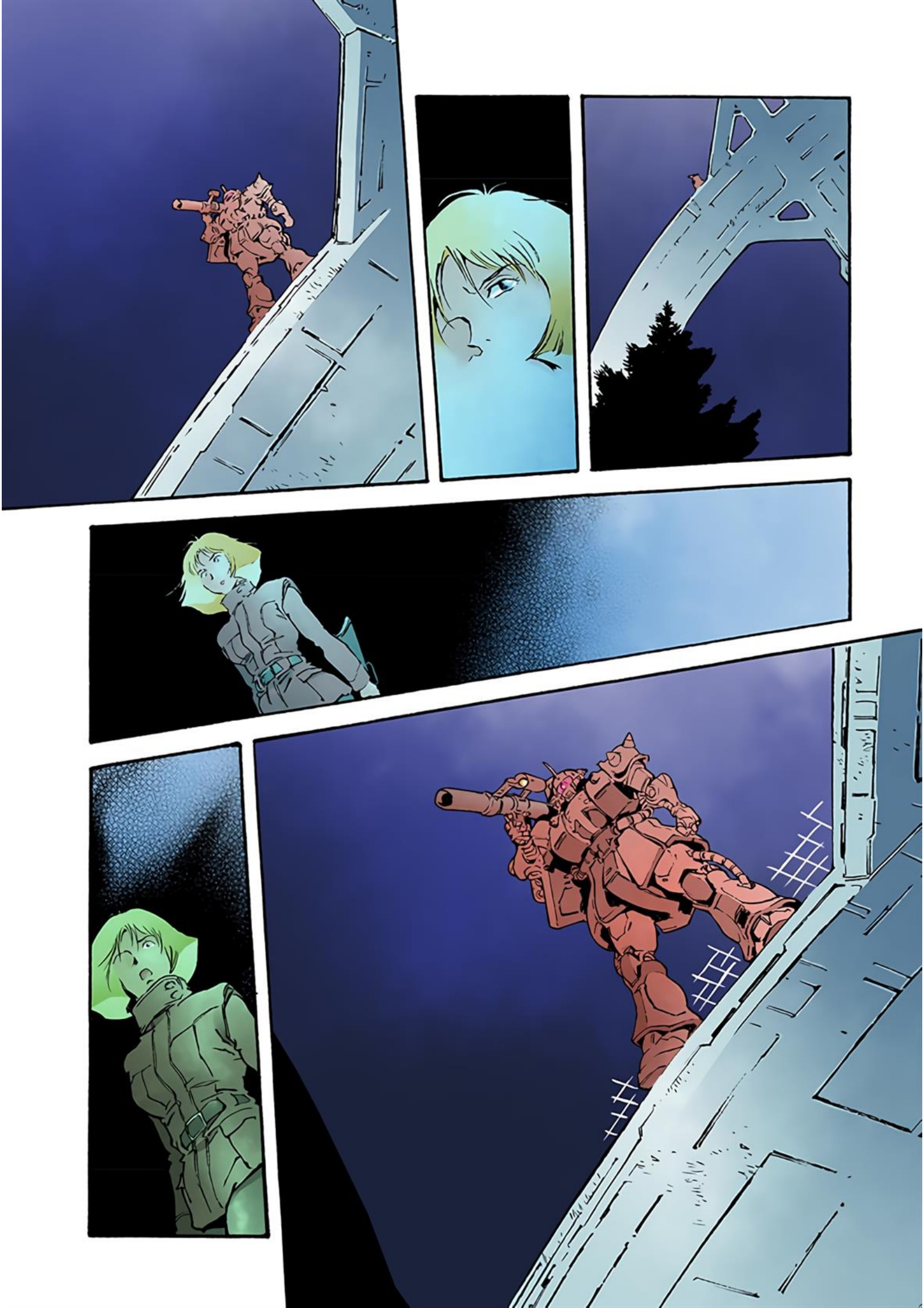
ONLY
ONE
WHO'S
REFUSED
TO LISTEN
TO ME,
SIR.

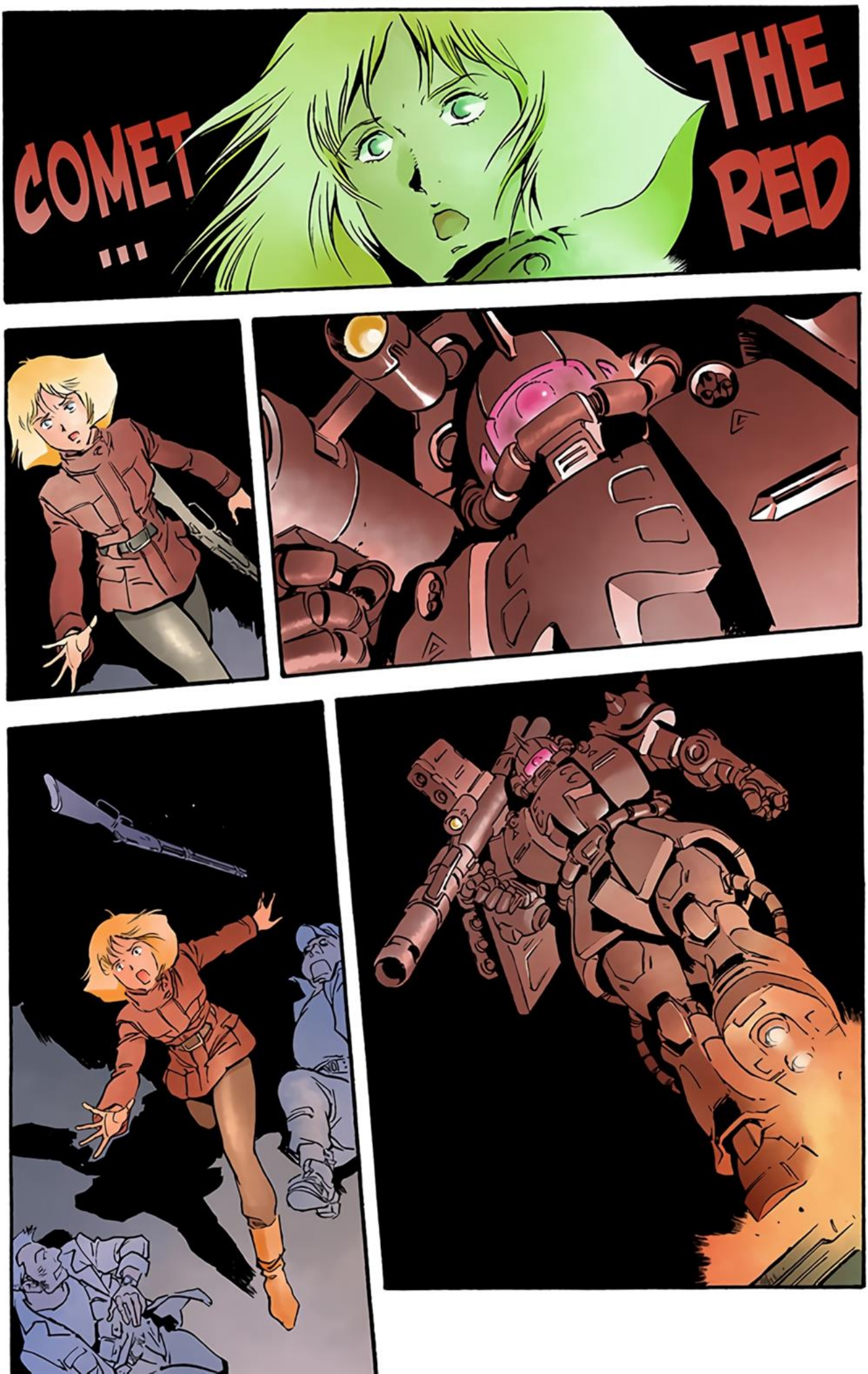

SHEESH...
ROGER
Bweee
CRACK-LE
I'LL BE —
Sqeet
WORKING WITH A ZEON CROSS HERO
IS A LITTLE MUCH ON THE NERVES, HUH, CAPTAIN?
LOOKS OUT FOR HIS MEN.
LIKE THE WAY HE
I DO
ADMIT
HE'S NOT ALL BAD.
TO BE HONEST
I THOUGHT HE'D BE MUCH MORE OF A JERK.

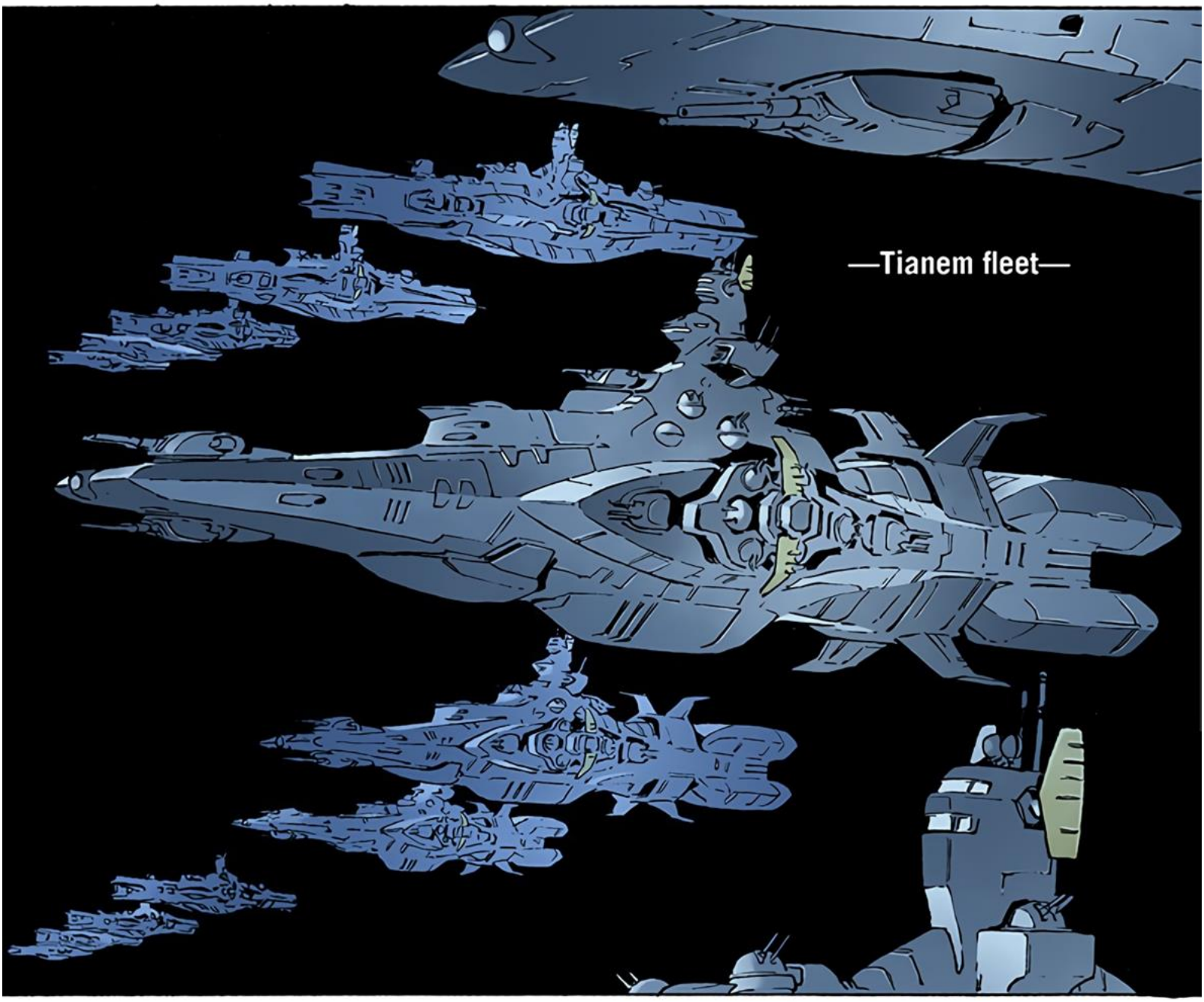
ENSIGN DREN.
SEEMS CAPABLE.
SELF-MADE MEN.
GOOD IN THE FIELD, AND NOT SERVILE TOWARDS HOUSE ZABI.
I'LL TAKE NOTE.
BUT
GIHREN ZABI, NOW—
A FORMI-DABLE MAN.


"HIT TIANEM'S FLEET FIRST WITH OUR ENTIRE FORCE."
HA HA ...
LEAKING COUNCIL PROCEED-INGS TO DECEIVE OUR FOE.
HE'D EVEN GO SO FAR ?
FOR TIMES TO COME ...
I'LL ETCH IT IN MY MIND
TEXAS

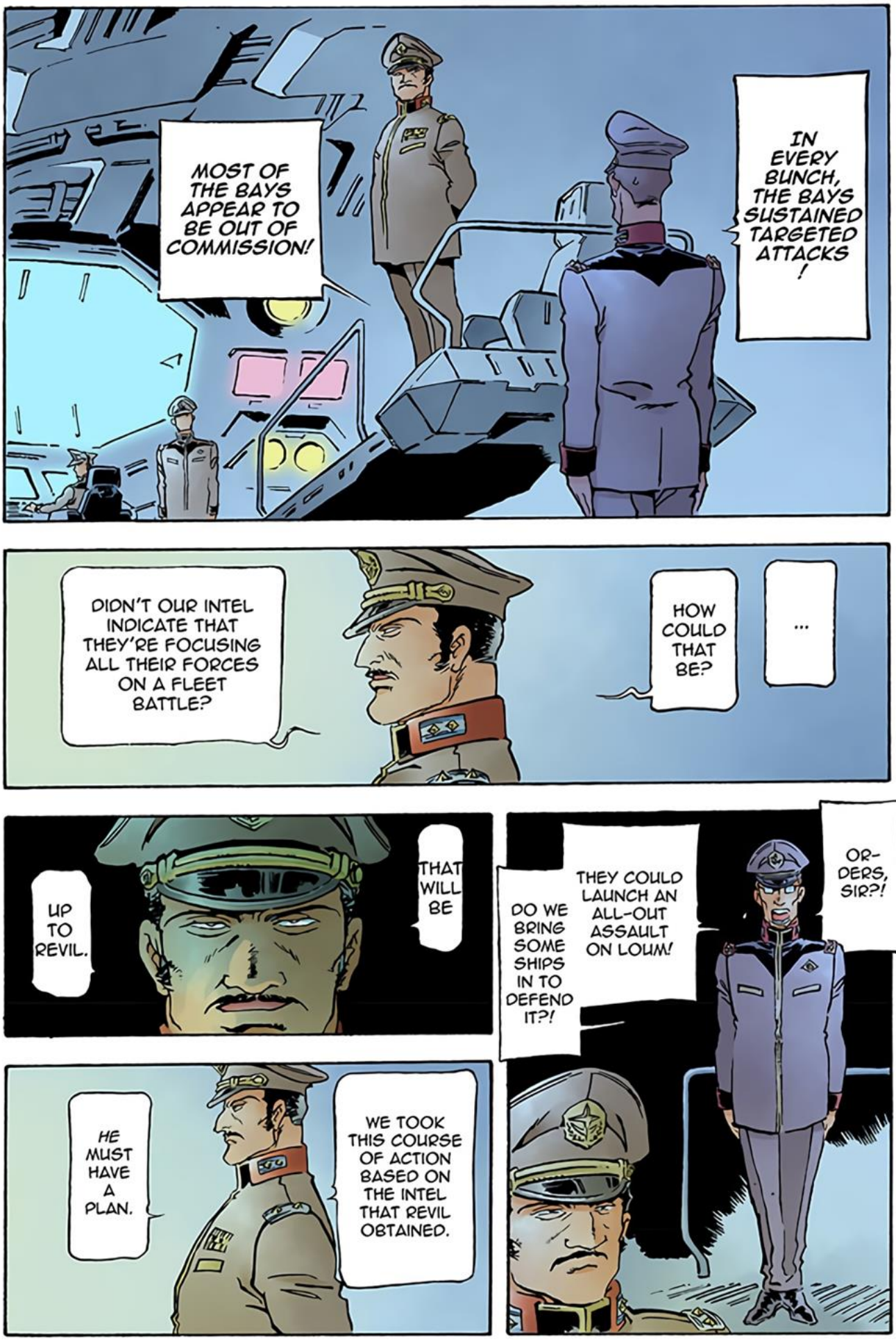
THEY'VE WRECKED THE BAY!
CAN'T GET BACK NO MORE !
Groan
Our bad !
Help —

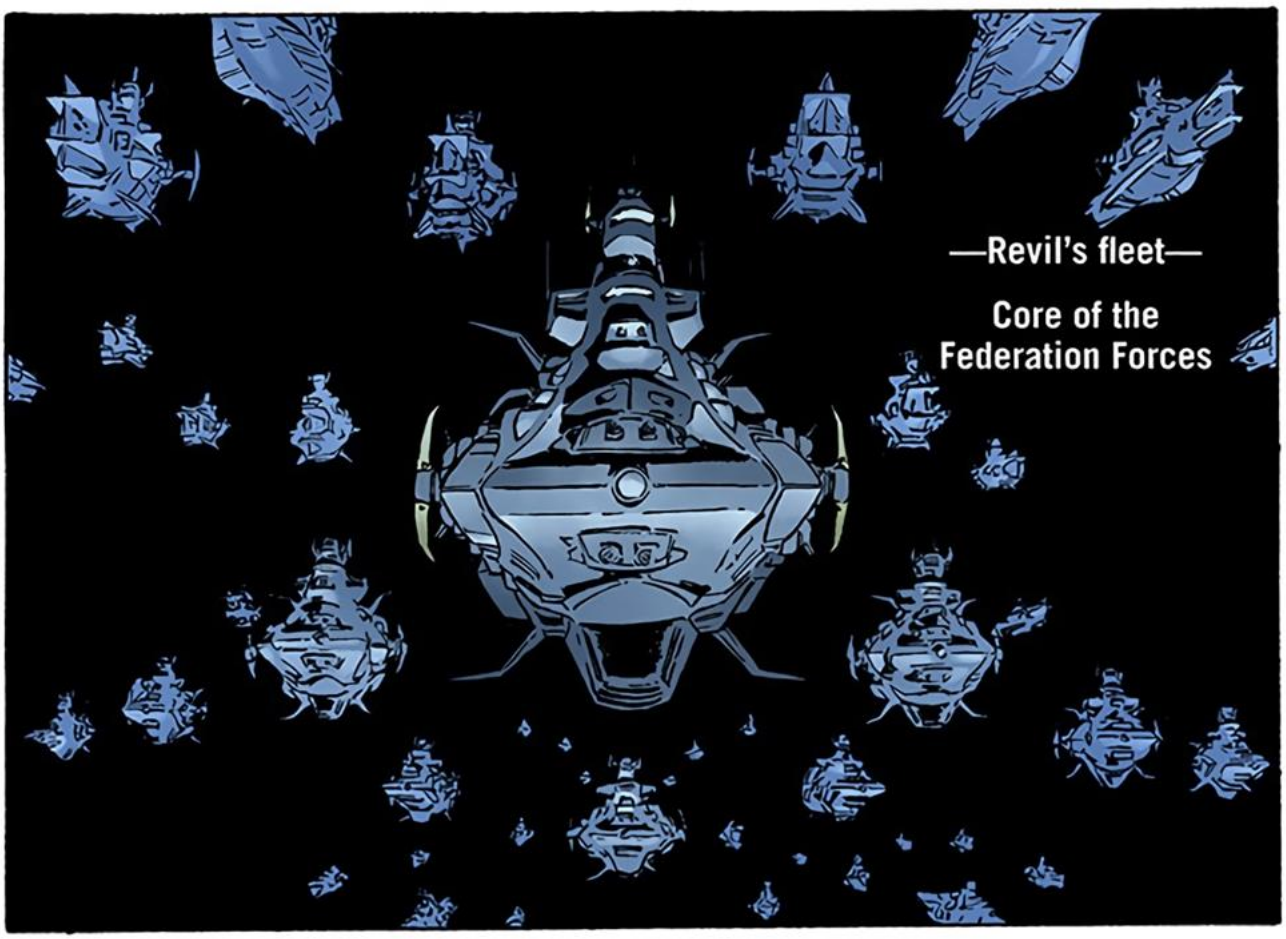


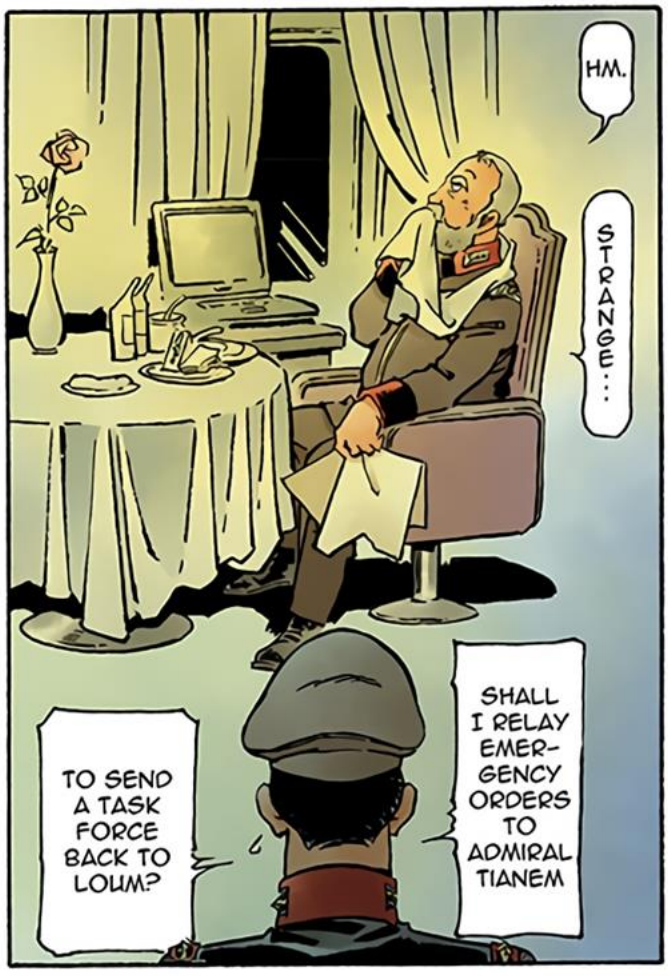

THE RED COMET ...

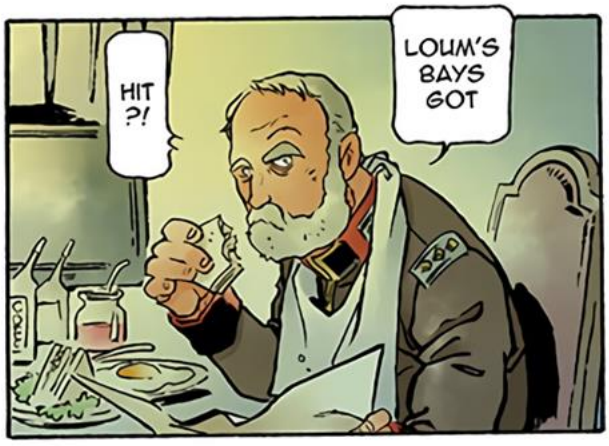

—Tianem fleet—

THEY HIT LOUM ?!
DID YOU SAY

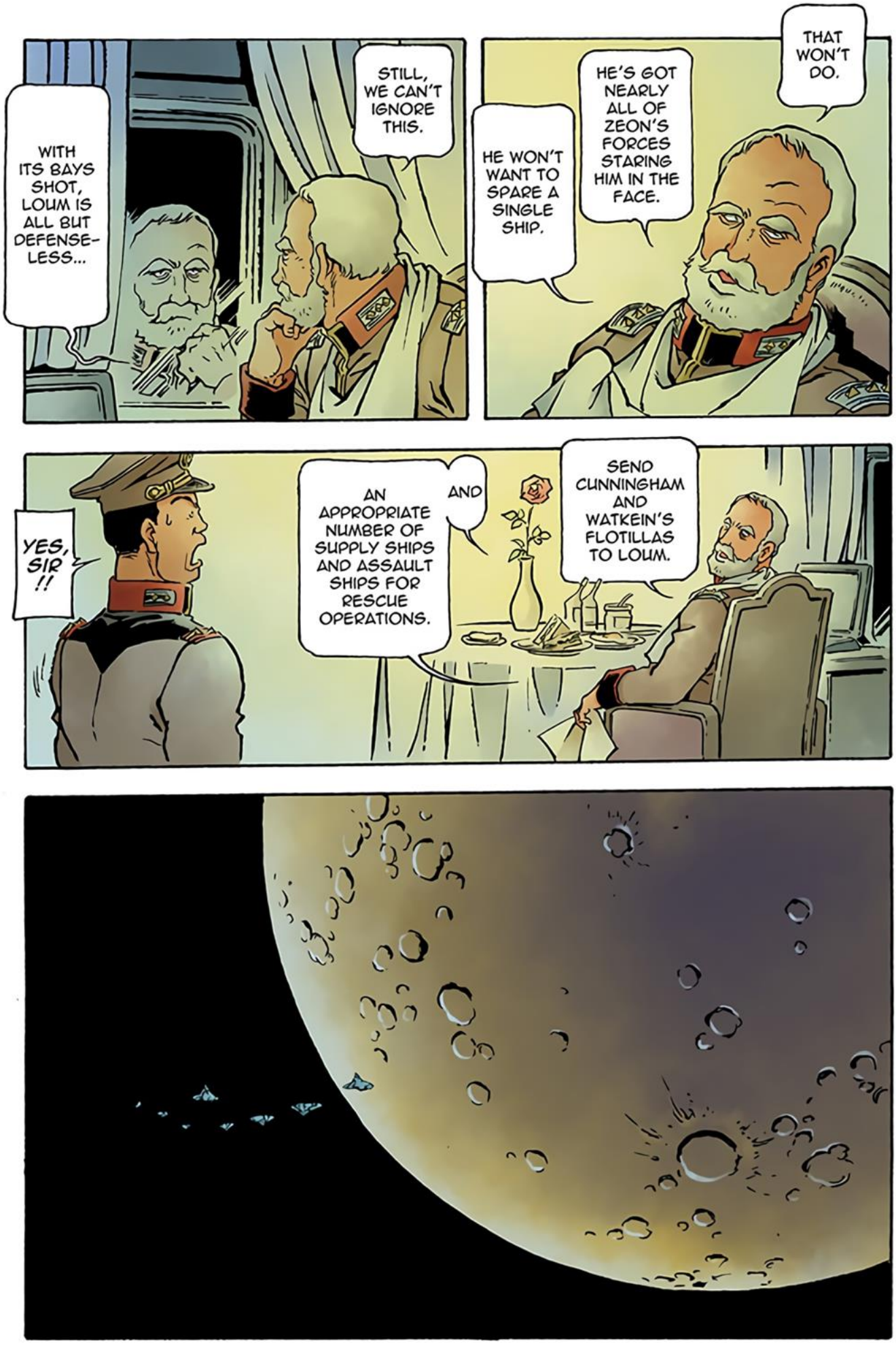

MOST OF THE BAYS APPEAR TO BE OUT OF COMMISSION!
IN EVERY BUNCH, THE BAYS SUSTAINED TARGETED ATTACKS!
DIDN'T OUR INTEL INDICATE THAT THEY'RE FOCUSING ALL THEIR FORCES ON A FLEET BATTLE?
HOW COULD THAT BE?
...
THAT WILL BE
UP TO REVIL.
ORDERS, SIR?!
THEY COULD LAUNCH AN ALL-OUT ASSAULT ON LOUM!
DO WE BRING SOME SHIPS IN TO DEFEND IT?!
WE TOOK THIS COURSE OF ACTION BASED ON THE INTEL THAT REVIL OBTAINED.
HE MUST HAVE A PLAN.


—Revil's fleet—
Core of the Federation Forces


HM.
STRANGE...
SHALL I RELAY EMER-GENCY ORDERS TO ADMIRAL TIANEM
TO SEND A TASK FORCE BACK TO LOUM?


LOUM'S BAYS GOT
HIT ?!

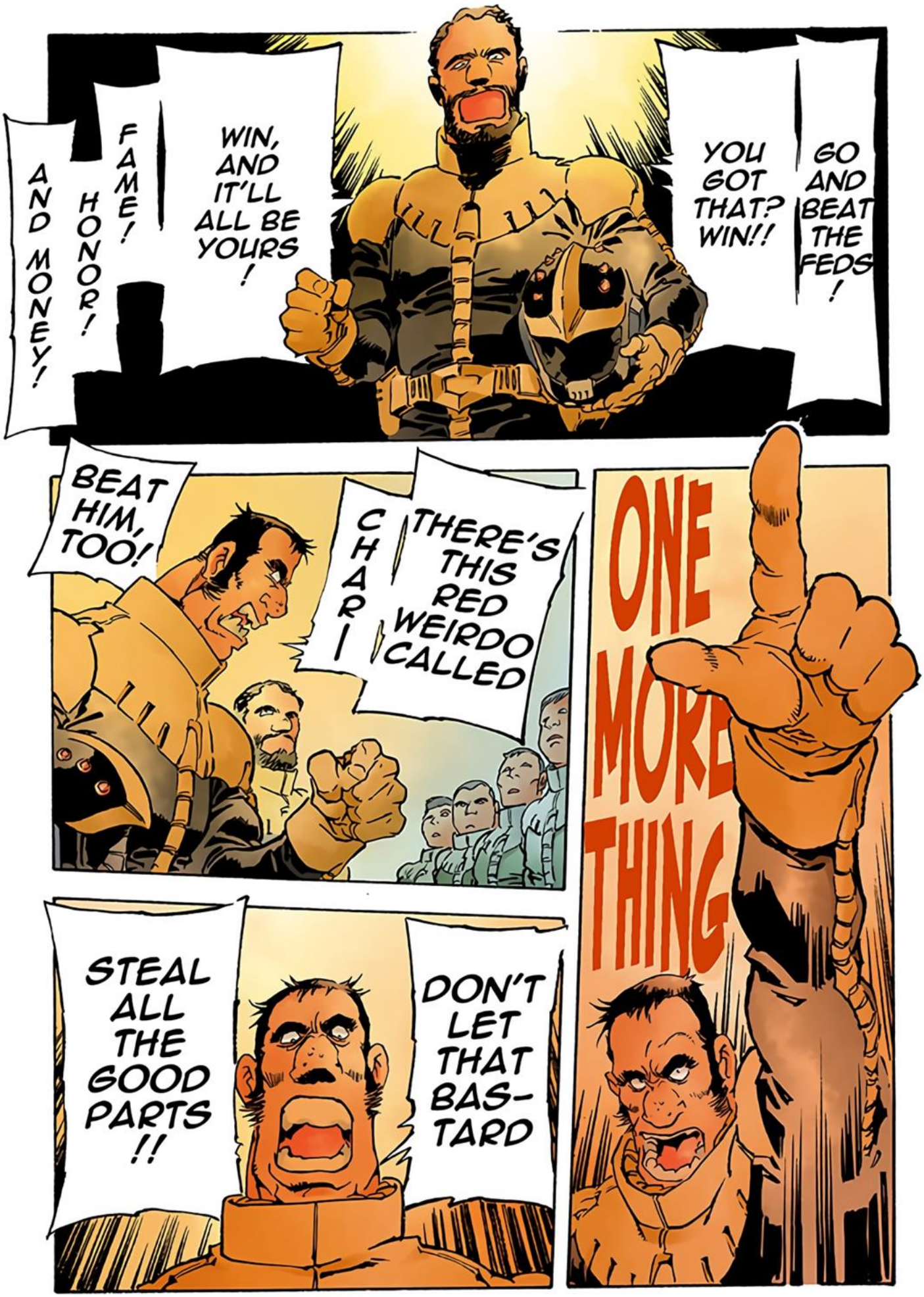
WE SUSPECT IT MAY HAVE BEEN JUST A ONE-TIME RAID, BUT THE DAMAGE WAS SIGNIFICANT.
LOUM'S GOVERN-MENT IS CALLING FOR RESCUE SUPPORT.
WHAT TO DO, SIR?!


WITH ITS BAYS SHOT, LOUM IS ALL BUT DEFENSE-LESS...
STILL, WE CAN'T IGNORE THIS.
HE WON'T WANT TO SPARE A SINGLE SHIP.
HE'S GOT NEARLY ALL OF ZEON'S FORCES STARING HIM IN THE FACE.
THAT WON'T DO.
YES, SIR !!
AN APPROPRIATE NUMBER OF SUPPLY SHIPS AND ASSAULT SHIPS FOR RESCUE OPERATIONS.
AND
SEND CUNNINGHAM AND WATKEIN'S FLOTILLAS TO LOUM.

Zeon Forces
—Special Assault Battalion—

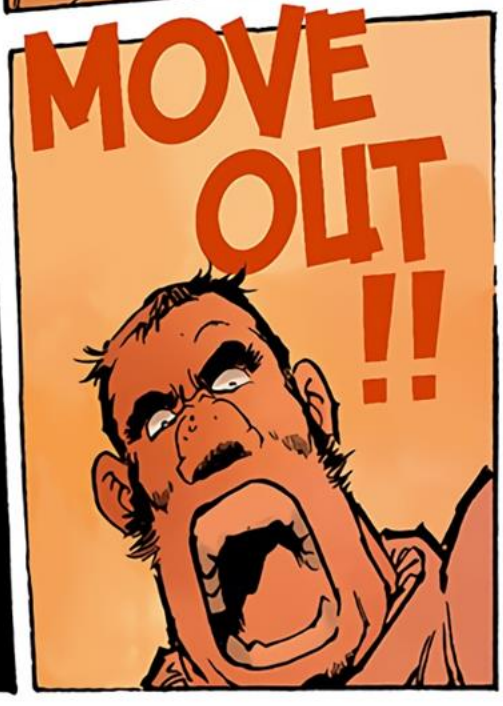
NOW, THE REAL BATTLE BEGINS!

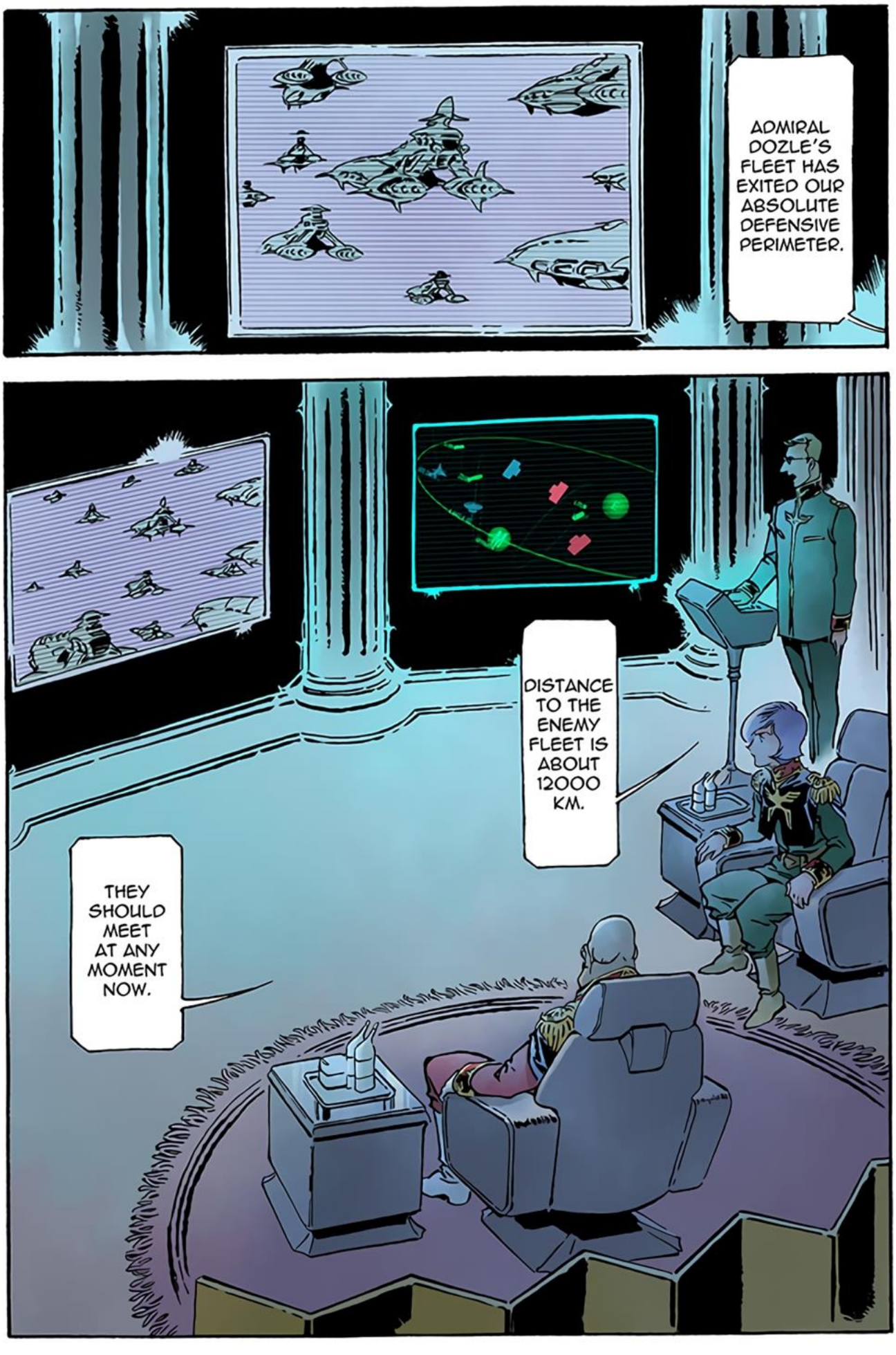
AND YOU, MEN, WILL PLAY THE LEAD ROLE!
THE STAGE IS SET FOR A NEW KIND OF WAR!

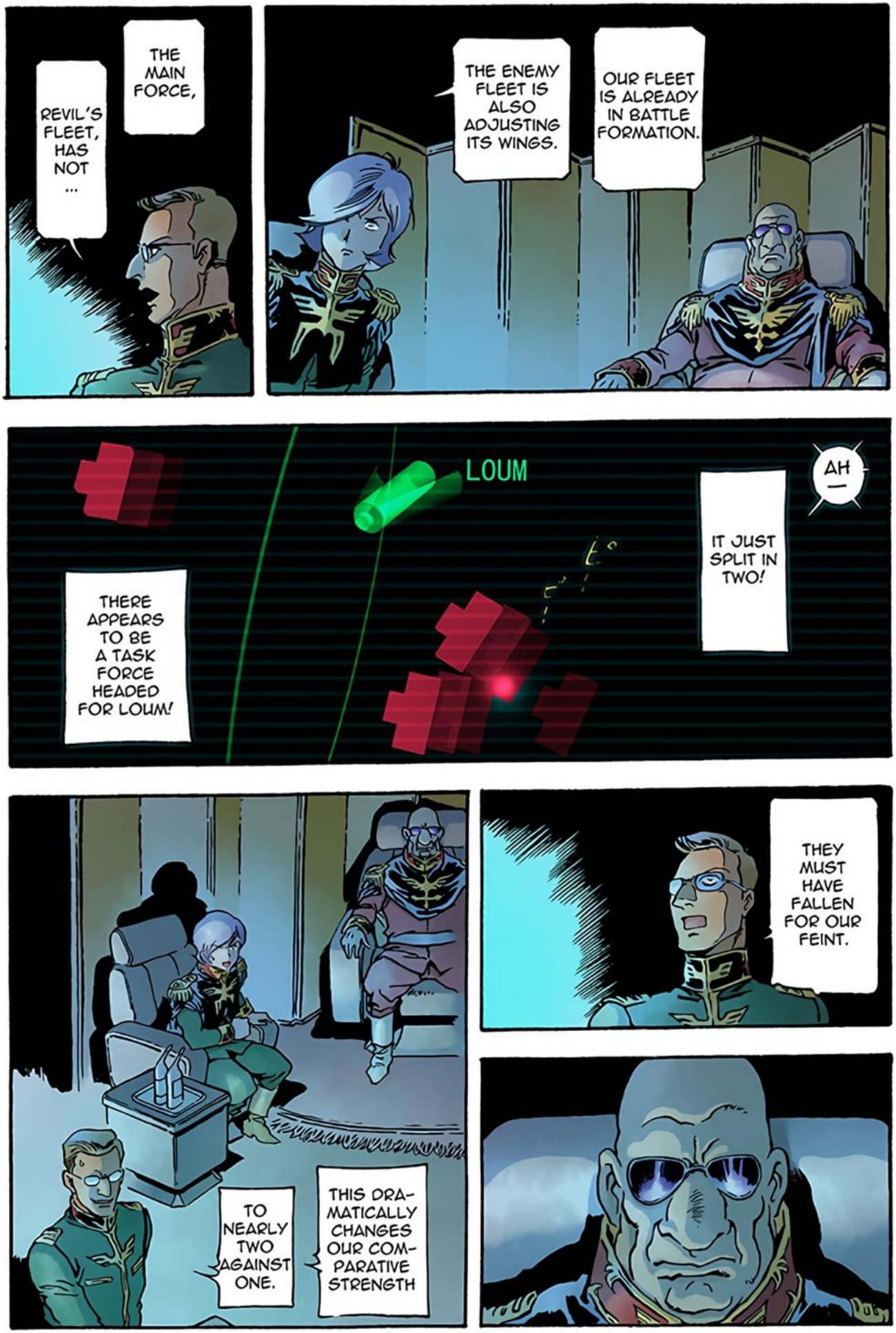

GO AND BEAT THE FEDS!
YOU GOT THAT? WIN!!
WIN, AND IT'LL ALL BE YOURS!
FAME! HONOR! AND MONEY!
ONE MORE THING
THERE'S THIS RED WEIRDO CALLED CHARI
BEAT HIM, TOO!
DON'T LET THAT BAS-TARD
STEAL ALL THE GOOD PARTS!!

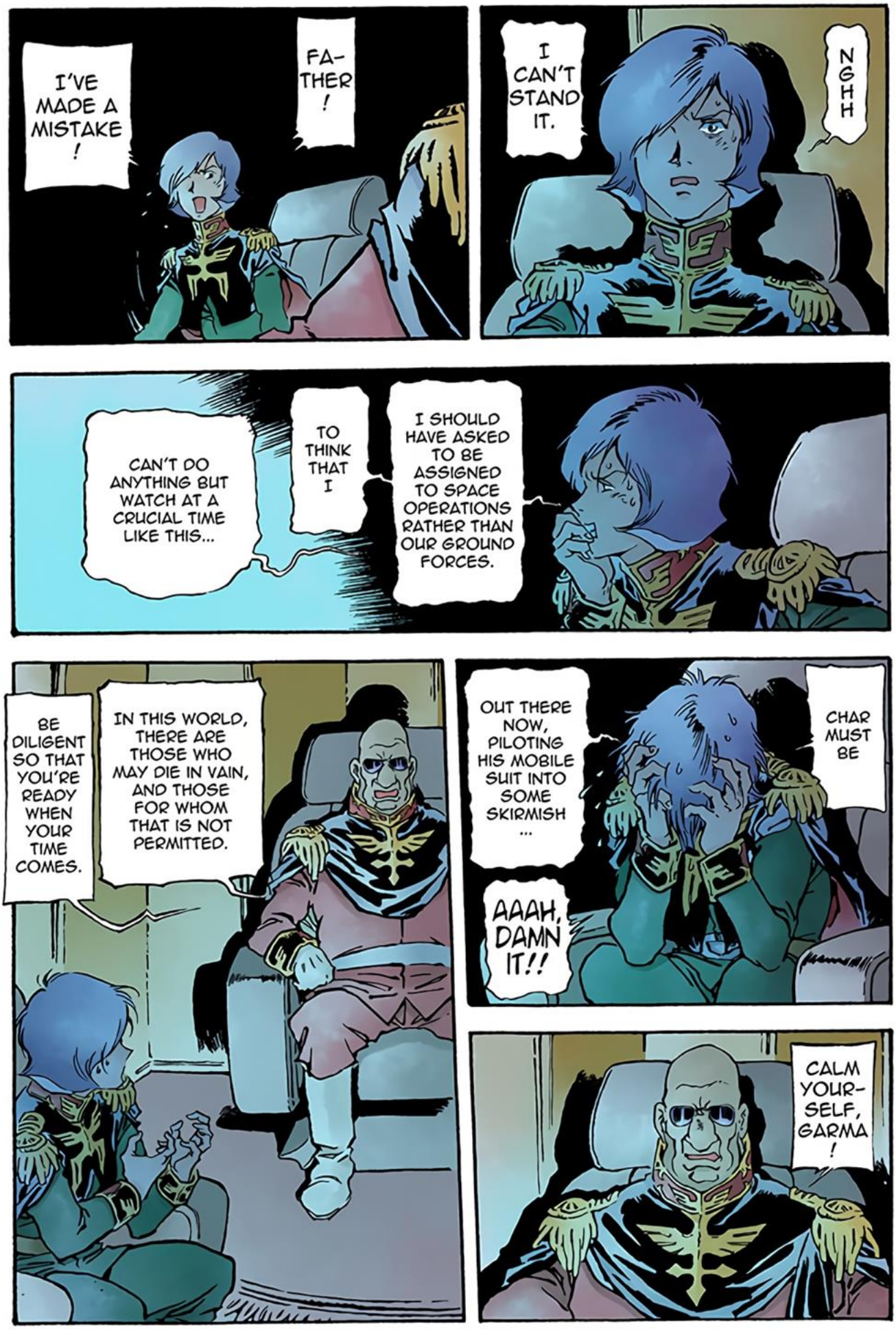
PAINT THE SKIES OVER LOUM PITCH BLACK!
BLACK'S THE COLOR OF GLORY AND VICTORY !
BLACK !!
THE COLOR THAT GOES DOWN IN HISTORY MUSTN'T BE HIS RED, BUT OUR

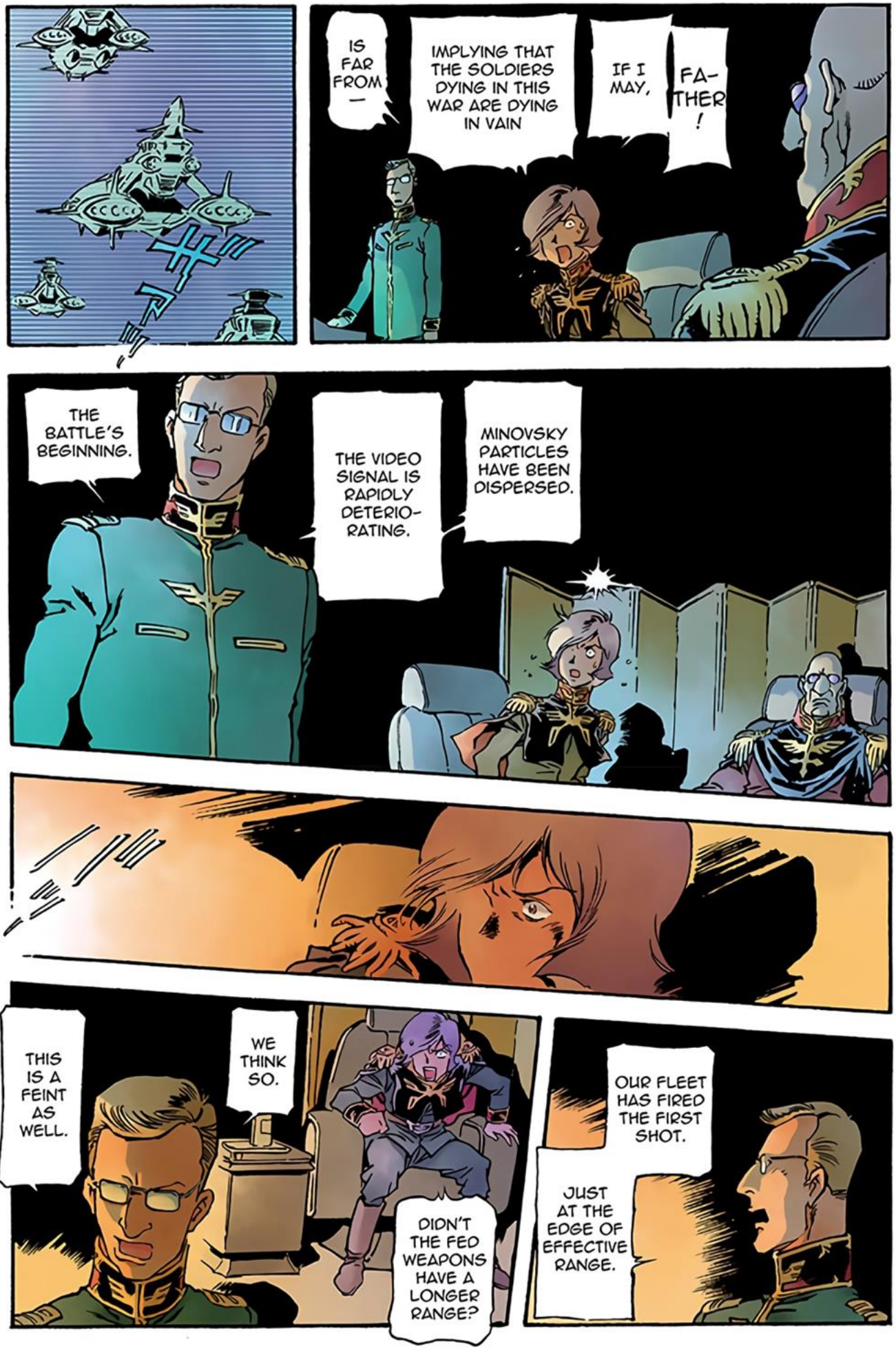
RAAA !!

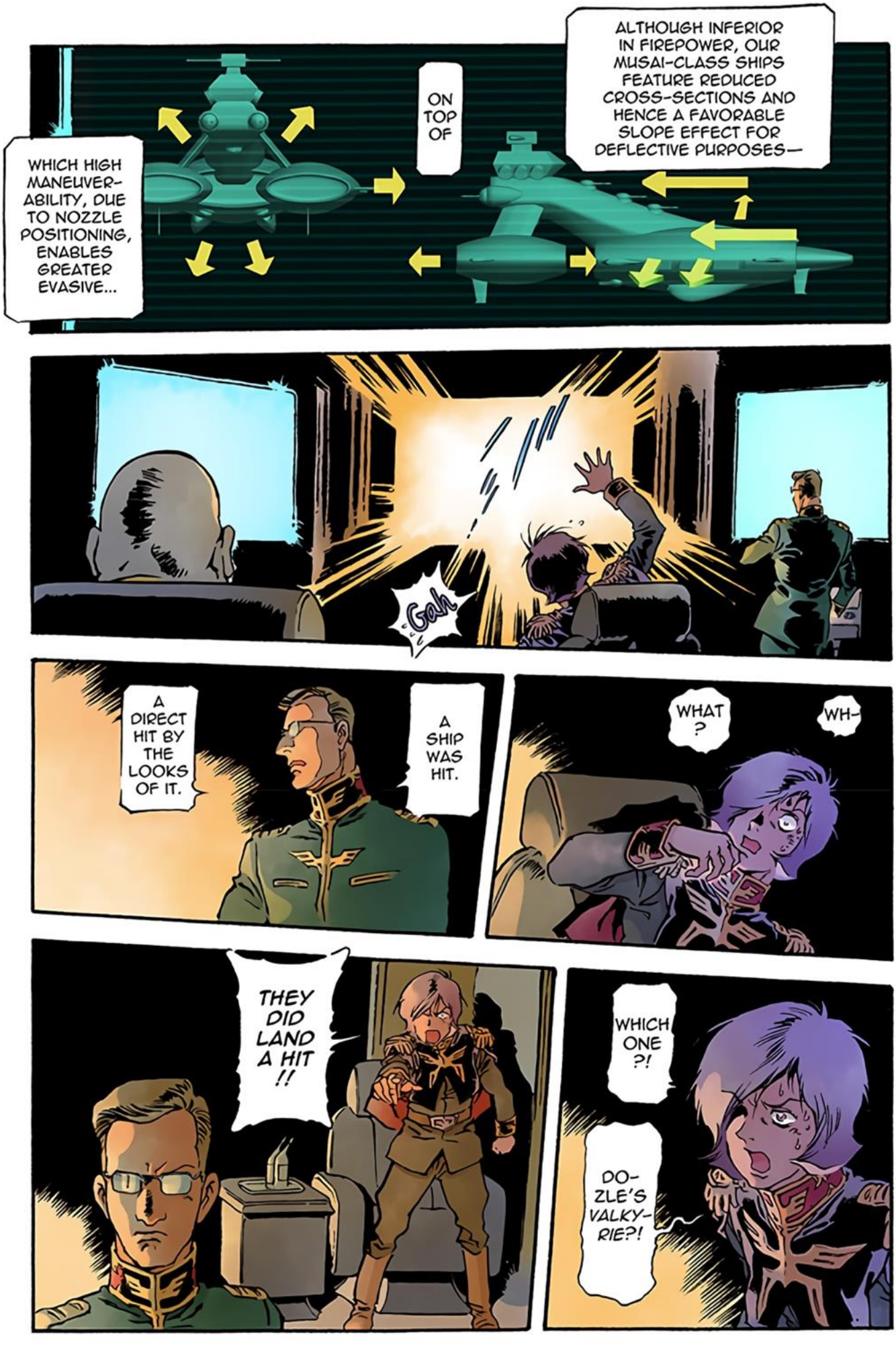

MOVE OUT !!

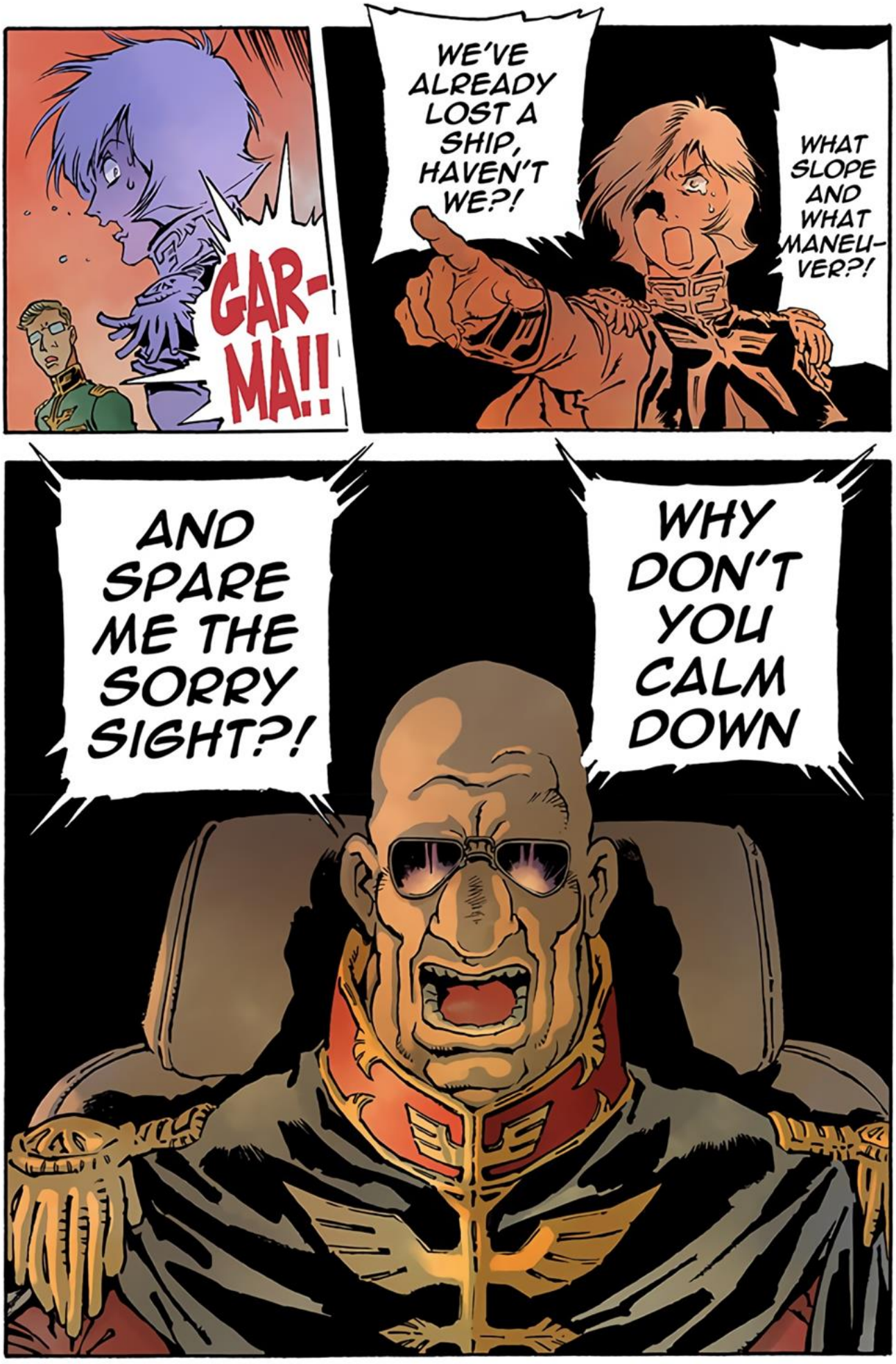

ADMIRAL DOZLE'S FLEET HAS EXITED OUR ABSOLUTE DEFENSIVE PERIMETER.
DISTANCE TO THE ENEMY FLEET IS ABOUT 12000 KM.
THEY SHOULD MEET AT ANY MOMENT NOW.

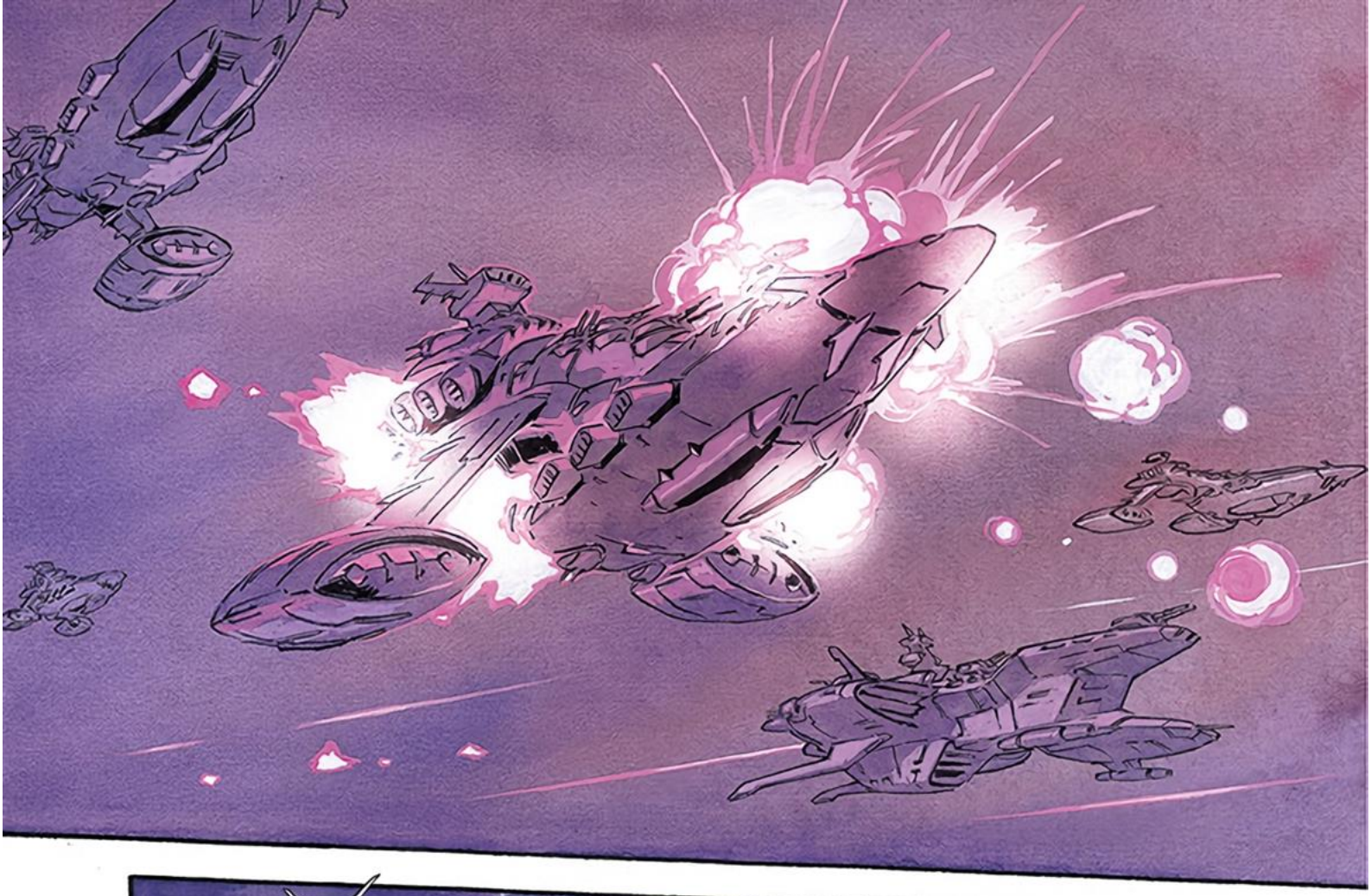

THE MAIN FORCE,
REVIL'S FLEET, HAS NOT ...
THE ENEMY FLEET IS ALSO ADJUSTING ITS WINGS.
OUR FLEET IS ALREADY IN BATTLE FORMATION.
LOUM
THERE APPEARS TO BE A TASK FORCE HEADED FOR LOUM!
IT JUST SPLIT IN TWO!
AH—
TO NEARLY TWO AGAINST ONE.
THIS DRAMATICALLY CHANGES OUR COMPARATIVE STRENGTH
THEY MUST HAVE FALLEN FOR OUR FEINT.

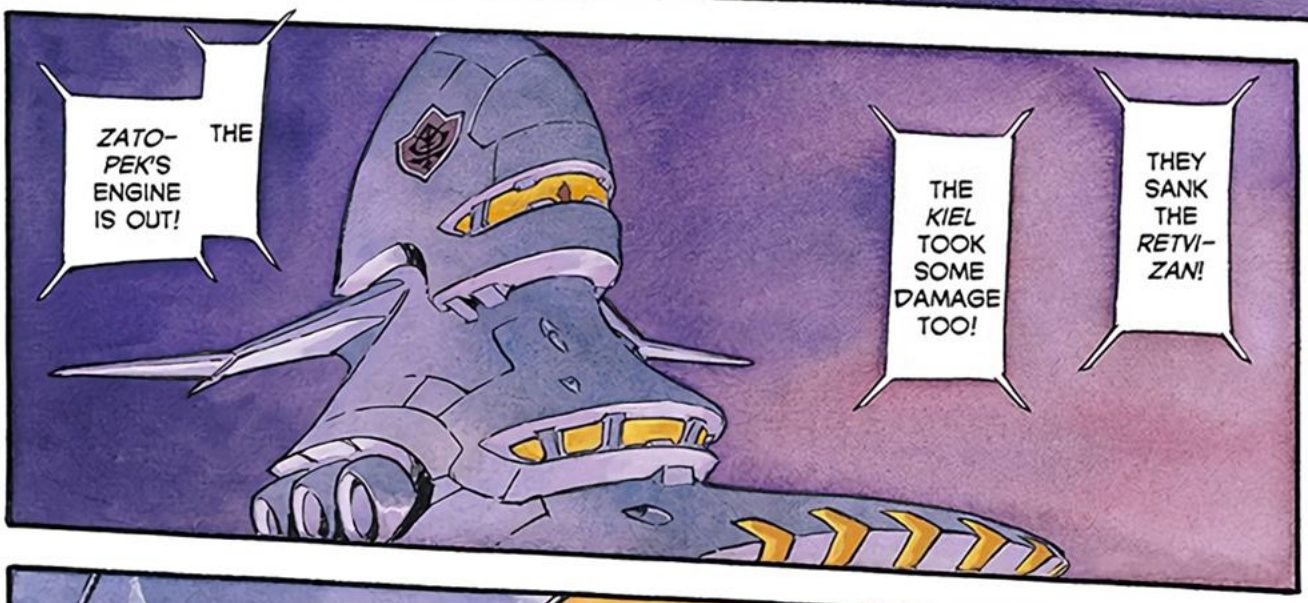

I'VE MADE A MISTAKE!
FA-THER!
I CAN'T STAND IT.
NGHH
CAN'T DO ANYTHING BUT WATCH AT A CRUCIAL TIME LIKE THIS...
TO THINK THAT I
I SHOULD HAVE ASKED TO BE ASSIGNED TO SPACE OPERATIONS RATHER THAN OUR GROUND FORCES.
BE DILIGENT SO THAT YOU'RE READY WHEN YOUR TIME COMES.
IN THIS WORLD, THERE ARE THOSE WHO MAY DIE IN VAIN, AND THOSE FOR WHOM THAT IS NOT PERMITTED.
OUT THERE NOW, PILOTING HIS MOBILE SUIT INTO SOME SKIRMISH ...
CHAR MUST BE
AAAH, DAMN IT!!
CALM YOUR-SELF, GARMA!


IS FAR FROM—
IMPLYING THAT THE SOLDIERS DYING IN THIS WAR ARE DYING IN VAIN
IF I MAY,
FA-THER!
THE BATTLE'S BEGINNING.
THE VIDEO SIGNAL IS RAPIDLY DETERIO-RATING.
MINOVSKY PARTICLES HAVE BEEN DISPERSED.
THIS IS A FEINT AS WELL.
WE THINK SO.
DIDN'T THE FED WEAPONS HAVE A LONGER RANGE?
OUR FLEET HAS FIRED THE FIRST SHOT.
JUST AT THE EDGE OF EFFECTIVE RANGE.

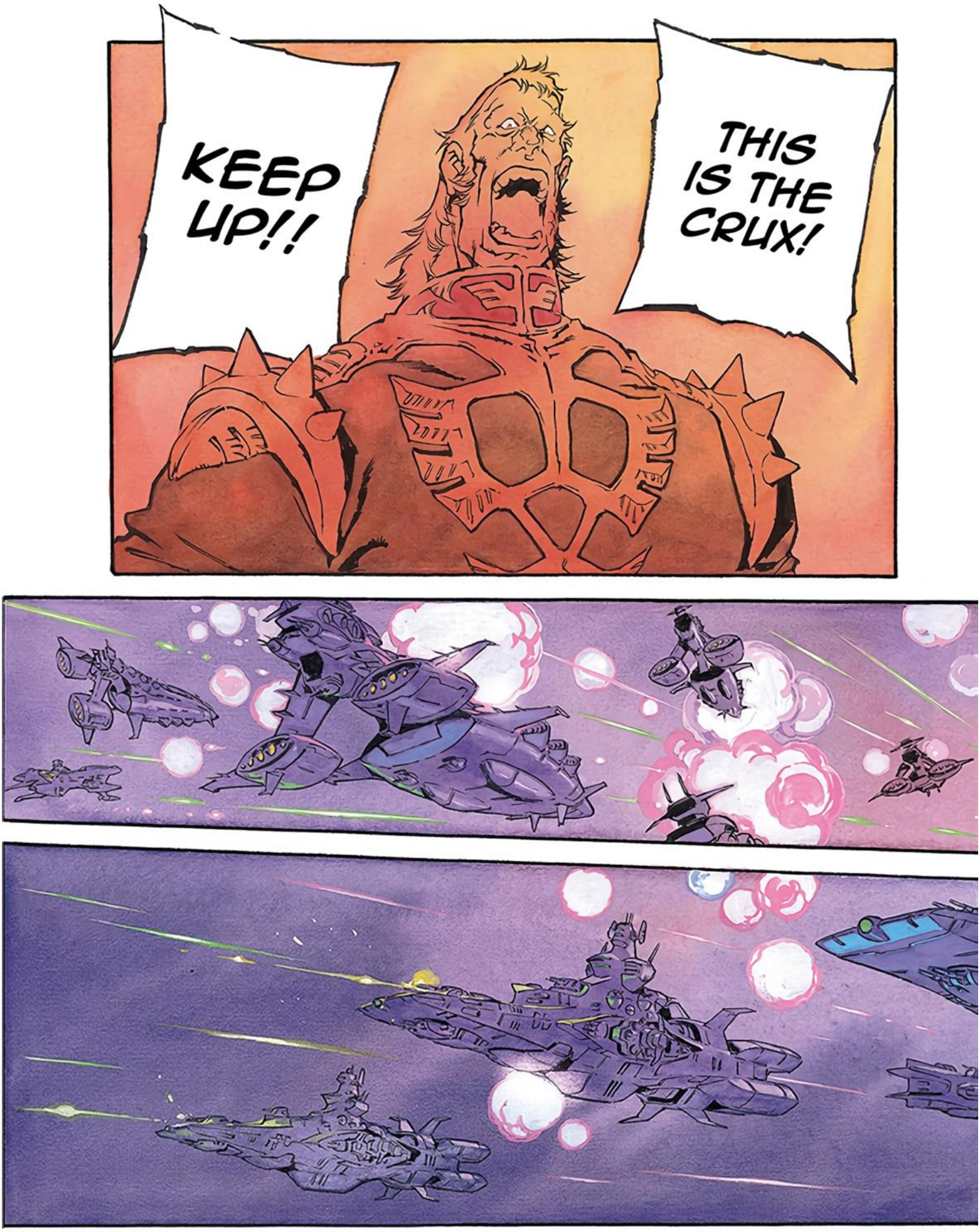

ALTHOUGH INFERIOR IN FIREPOWER, OUR MUSAI-CLASS SHIPS FEATURE REDUCED CROSS-SECTIONS AND HENCE A FAVORABLE SLOPE EFFECT FOR DEFLECTIVE PURPOSES—
ON TOP OF
WHICH HIGH MANEUVER-ABILITY, DUE TO NOZZLE POSITIONING, ENABLES GREATER EVASIVE...
Gah
A DIRECT HIT BY THE LOOKS OF IT.
A SHIP WAS HIT.
WHAT ?
WH-
THEY DID LAND A HIT !!
WHICH ONE ?!
DO-ZLE'S VALKY-RIE?!


GAR-
MA!!
WE'VE ALREADY LOST A SHIP, HAVEN'T WE?!
WHAT SLOPE AND WHAT MANEU-VER?!
AND SPARE ME THE SORRY SIGHT?!
WHY DON'T YOU CALM DOWN

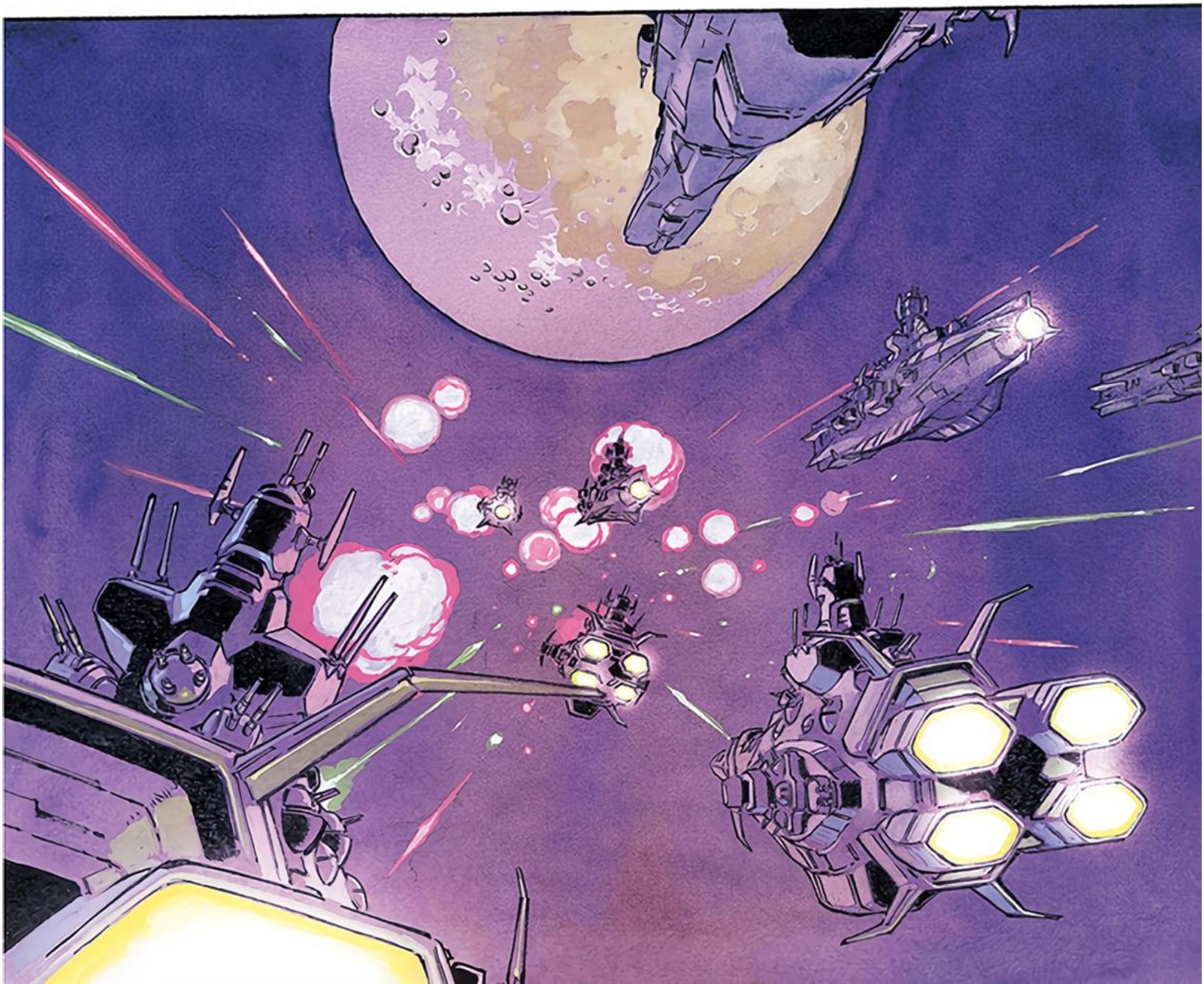


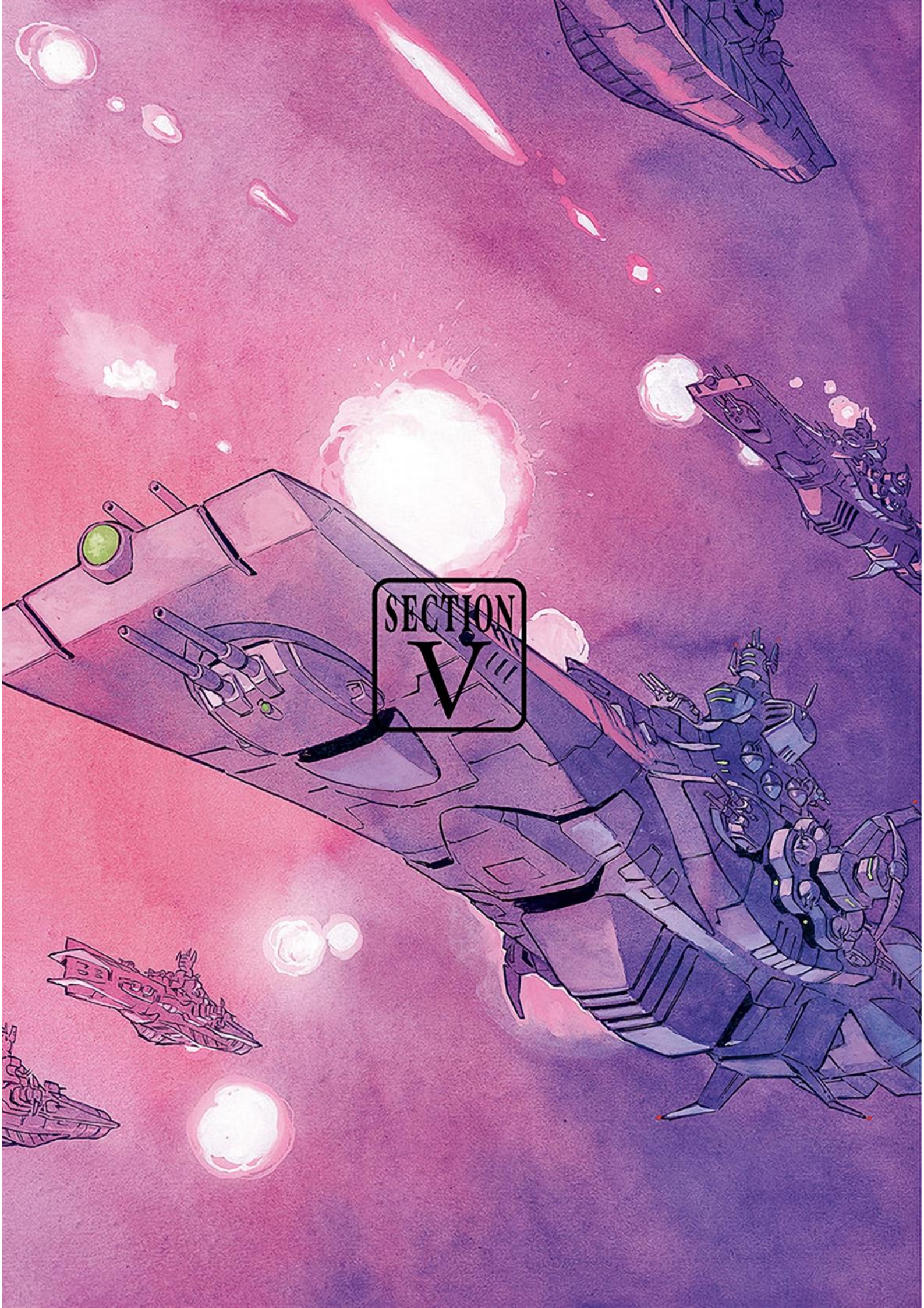

THE ZATO-PEK'S ENGINE IS OUT!
THE KIEL TOOK SOME DAMAGE TOO!
THEY SANK THE RETVI-ZAN!

DIS-PERSE AND TURN WHILE FIRING BACK!!
DON'T COWER!


KEEP UP!!
THIS IS THE CRUX!

WIPED OUT IN THEIR FIRST REAL BATTLE...
OH MY ...
THE POOR ZEON CURS.
HM.
THEY'VE OPENED FIRE, YOUR EXCEL-LENCY!

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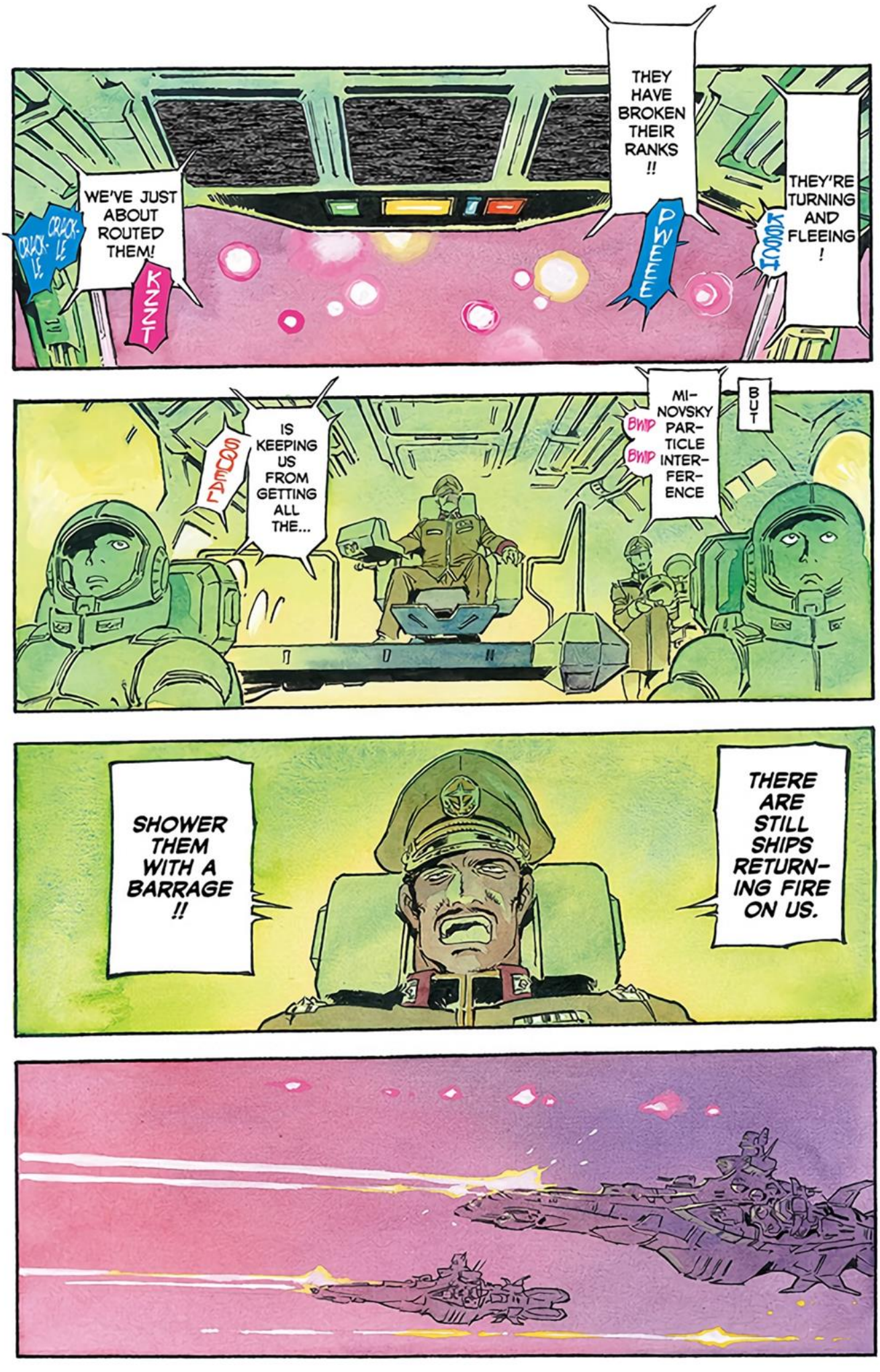
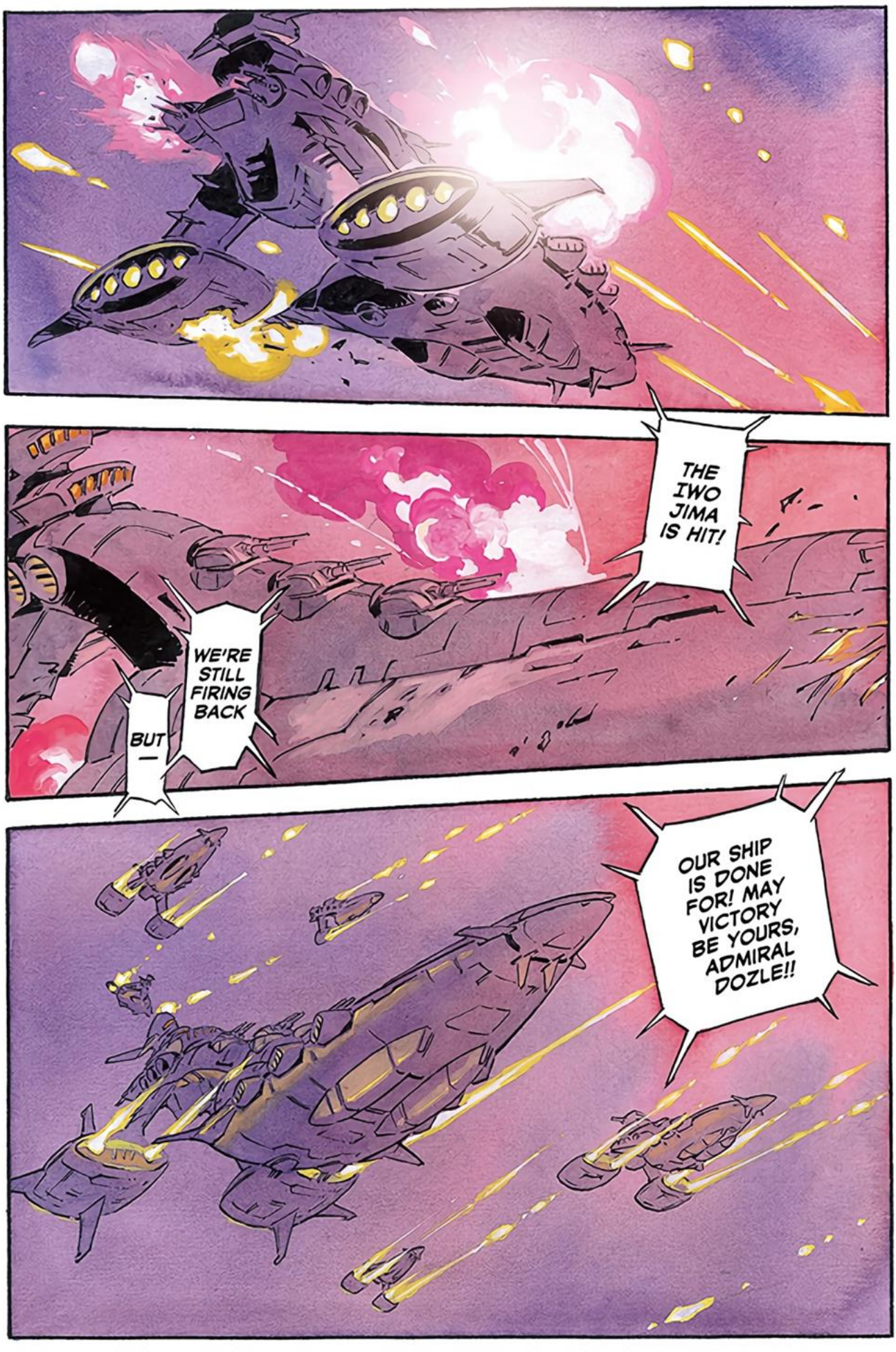
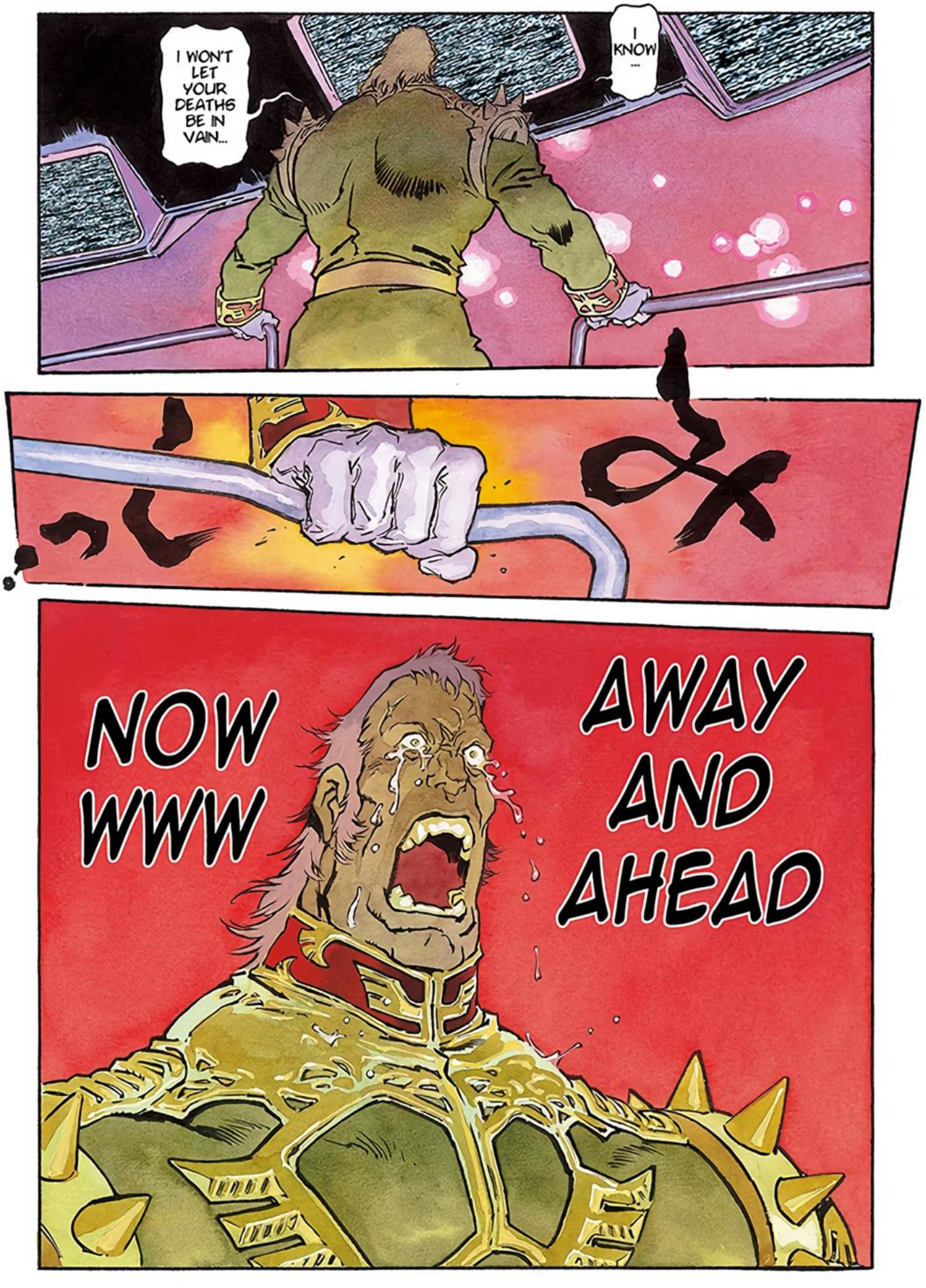
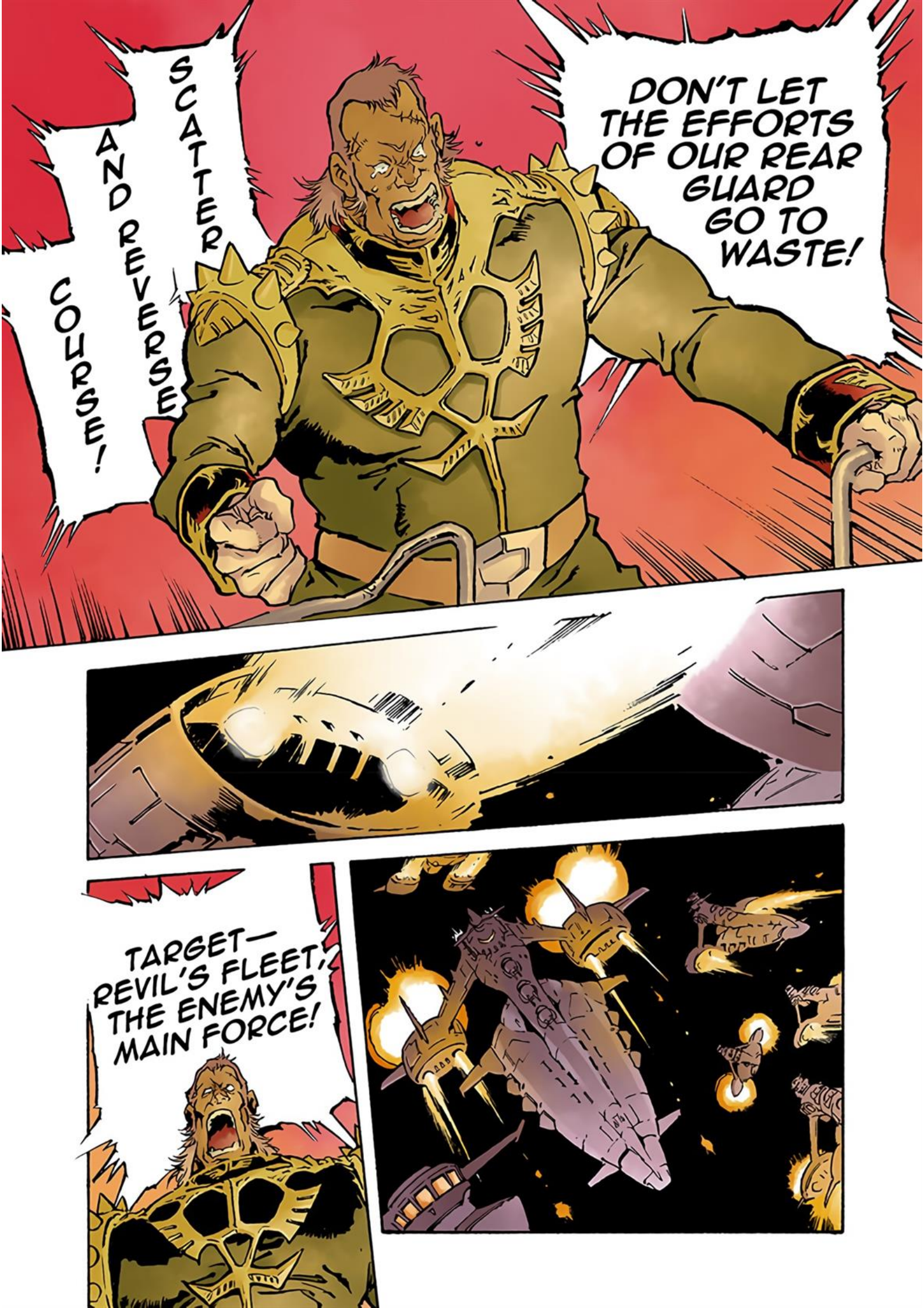
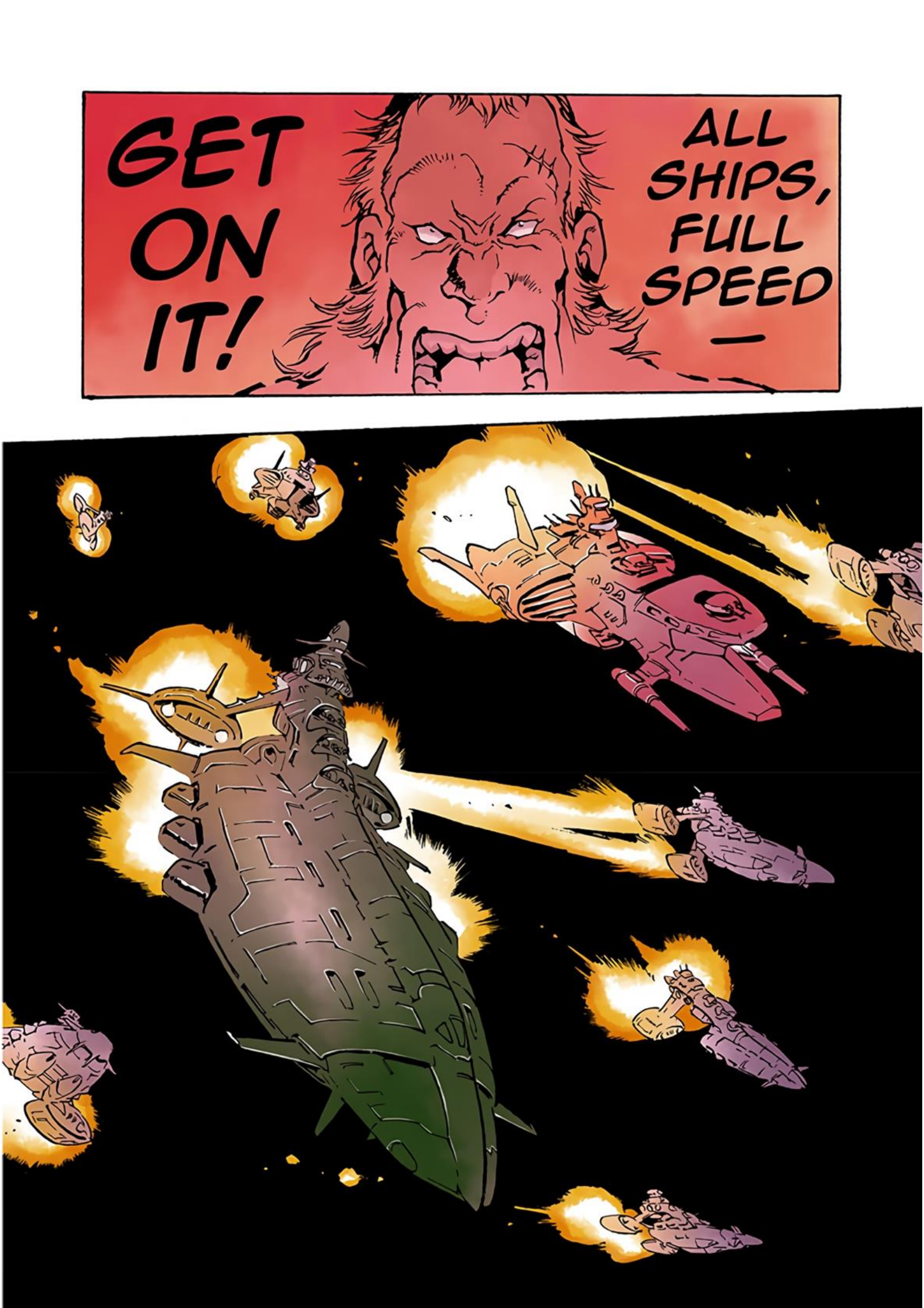
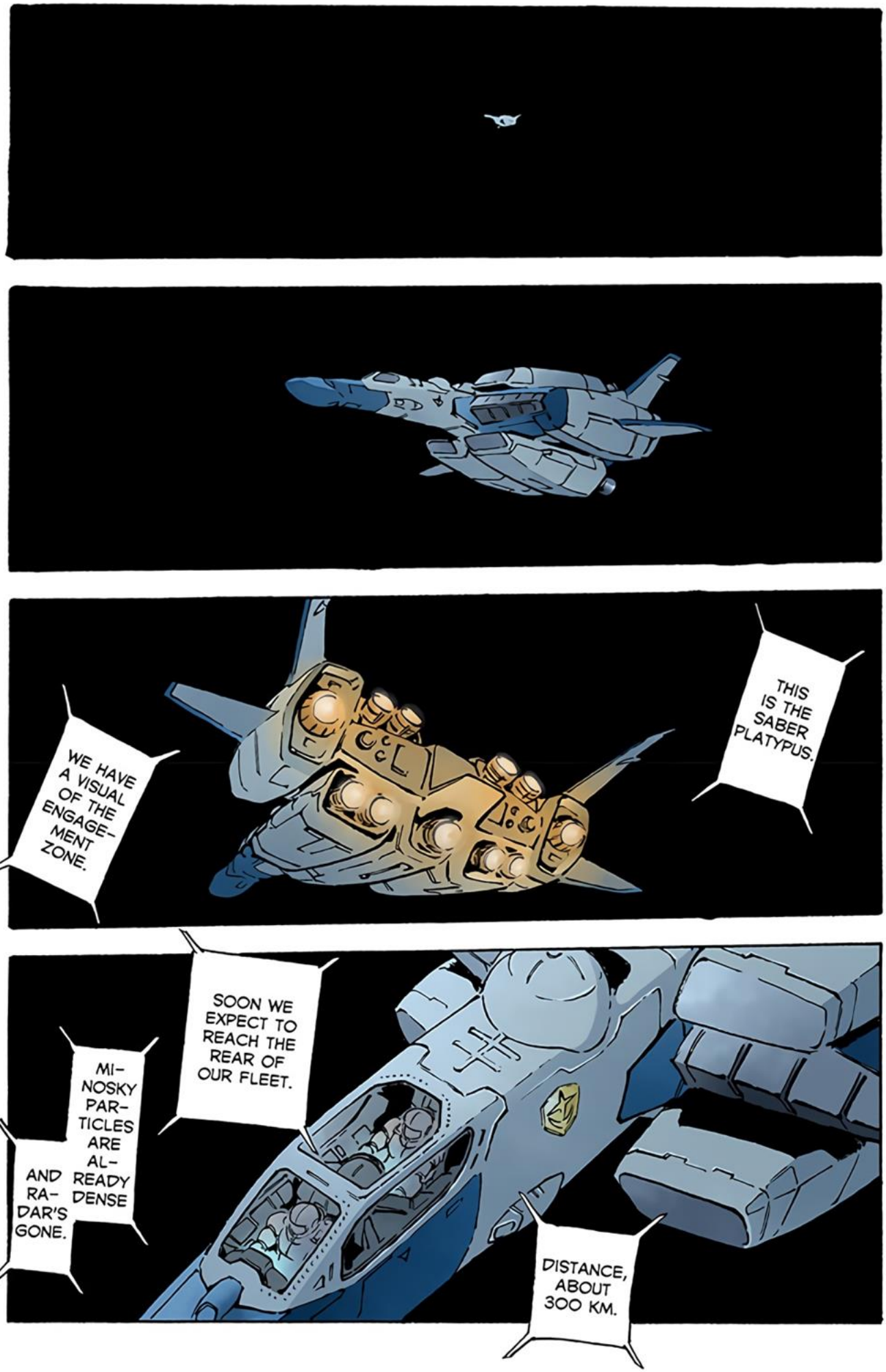

WE'VE JUST ABOUT ROUTED THEM!
CRACK-LE
CRACK-LE
KZZT
THEY HAVE BROKEN THEIR RANKS !!
PWEEE
THEY'RE TURNING AND FLEEING !
KOOUT
BUT
MI-NOVSKY PAR-TICLE INTER-FER-ENCE
BWIP
BWIP
IS KEEPING US FROM GETTING ALL THE...
SCUZZ
SHOWER THEM WITH A BARRAGE !!
THERE ARE STILL SHIPS RETURN-ING FIRE ON US.

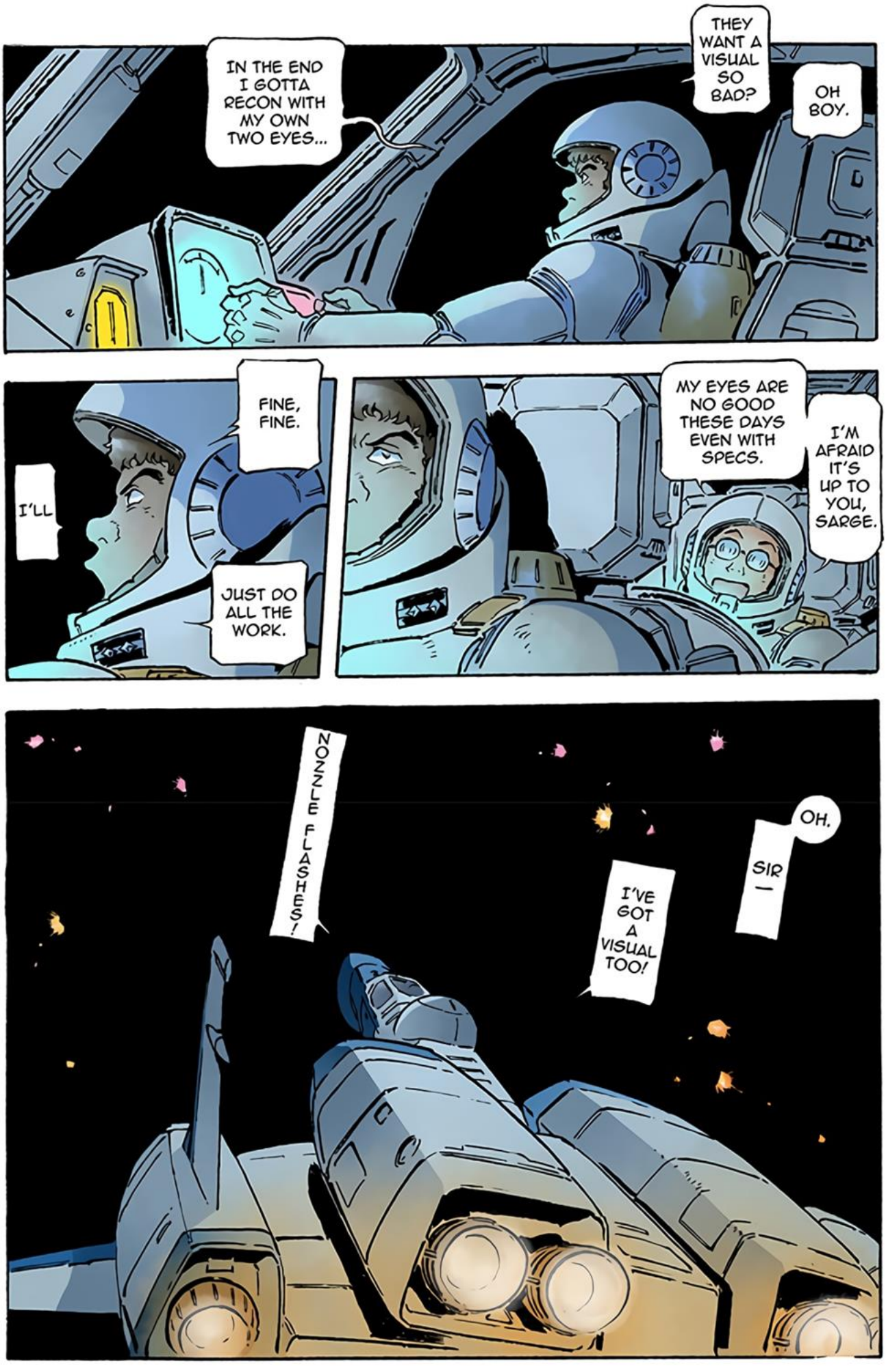

THE IWO JIMA IS HIT!
WE'RE STILL FIRING BACK
BUT —
OUR SHIP IS DONE FOR! MAY VICTORY BE YOURS, ADMIRAL DOZLE!!

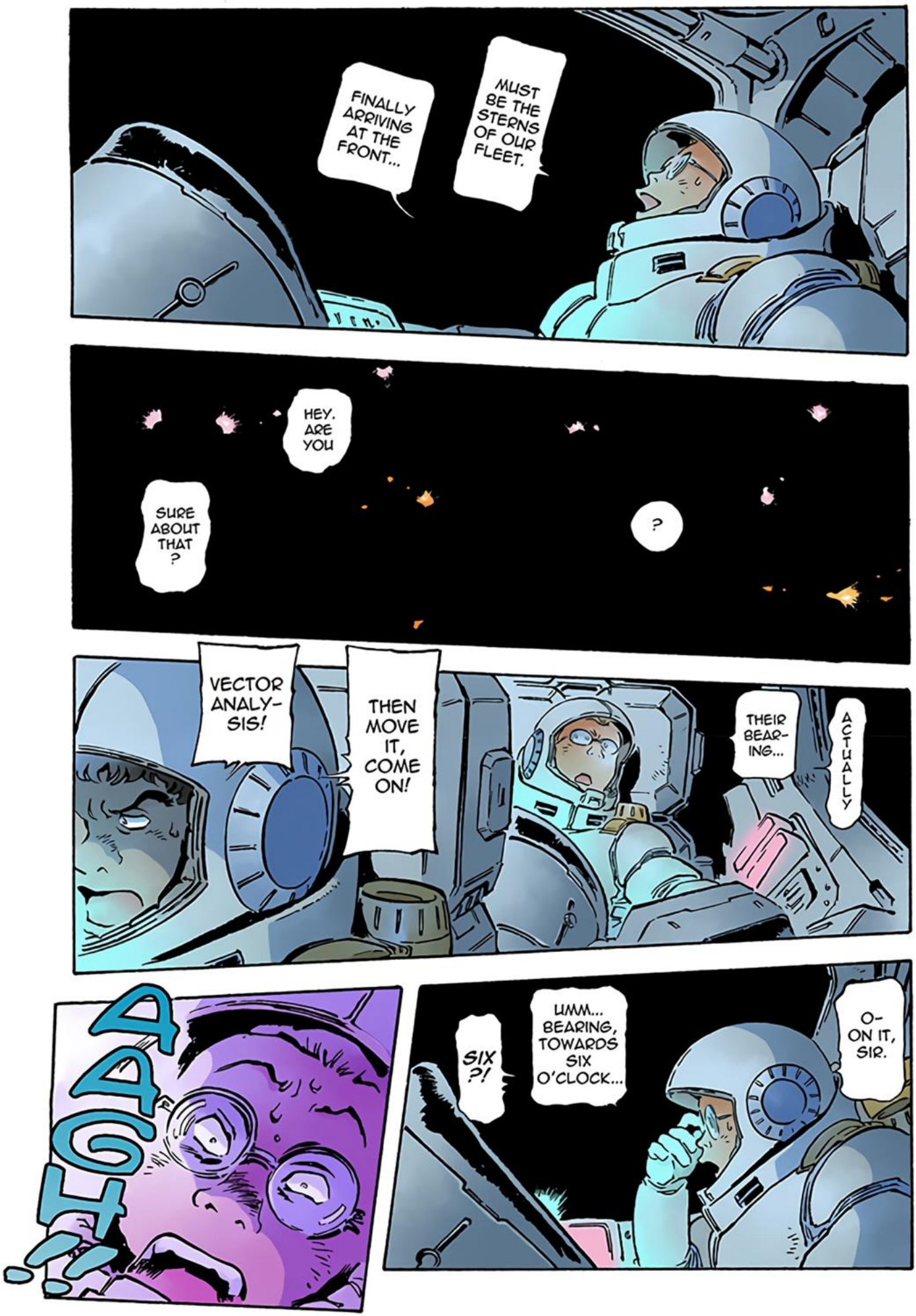

I WON'T LET YOUR DEATHS BE IN VAIN...
I KNOW ...
NOW WWW
AWAY AND AHEAD

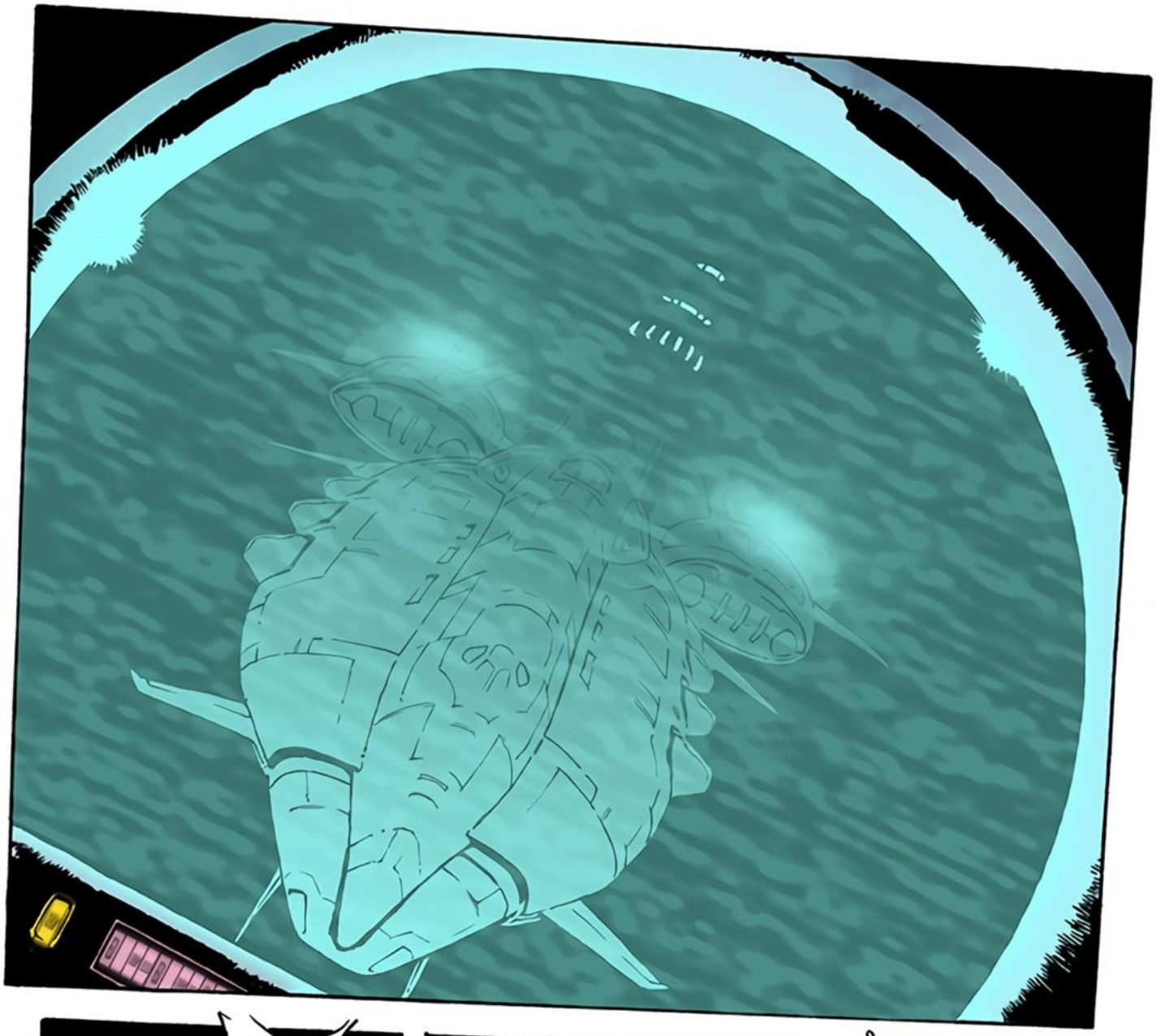

SCATTER AND REVERSE COURSE!
DON'T LET THE EFFORTS OF OUR REAR GUARD GO TO WASTE!
TARGET— REVIL'S FLEET, THE ENEMY'S MAIN FORCE!


GET ON IT!
ALL SHIPS, FULL SPEED —

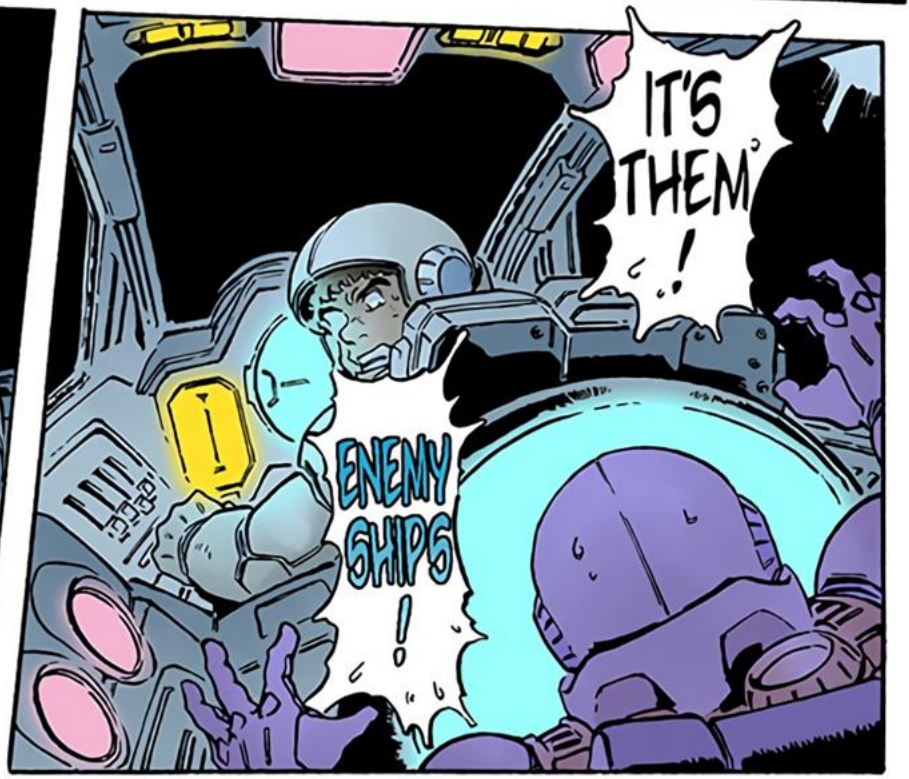

WE HAVE A VISUAL OF THE ENGAGE-MENT ZONE.
THIS IS THE SABER PLATYPUS.
SOON WE EXPECT TO REACH THE REAR OF OUR FLEET.
MI-NOSKY PAR-TICLES ARE AL-READY DENSE AND RA-DAR'S GONE.
DISTANCE, ABOUT 300 KM.


IN THE END I GOTTA RECON WITH MY OWN TWO EYES...
THEY WANT A VISUAL SO BAD?
OH BOY.
I'LL
FINE, FINE.
JUST DO ALL THE WORK.
MY EYES ARE NO GOOD THESE DAYS EVEN WITH SPECS.
I'M AFRAID IT'S UP TO YOU, SARGE.
NOZZLE FLASHES!
I'VE GOT A VISUAL TOO!
SIR —
OH.

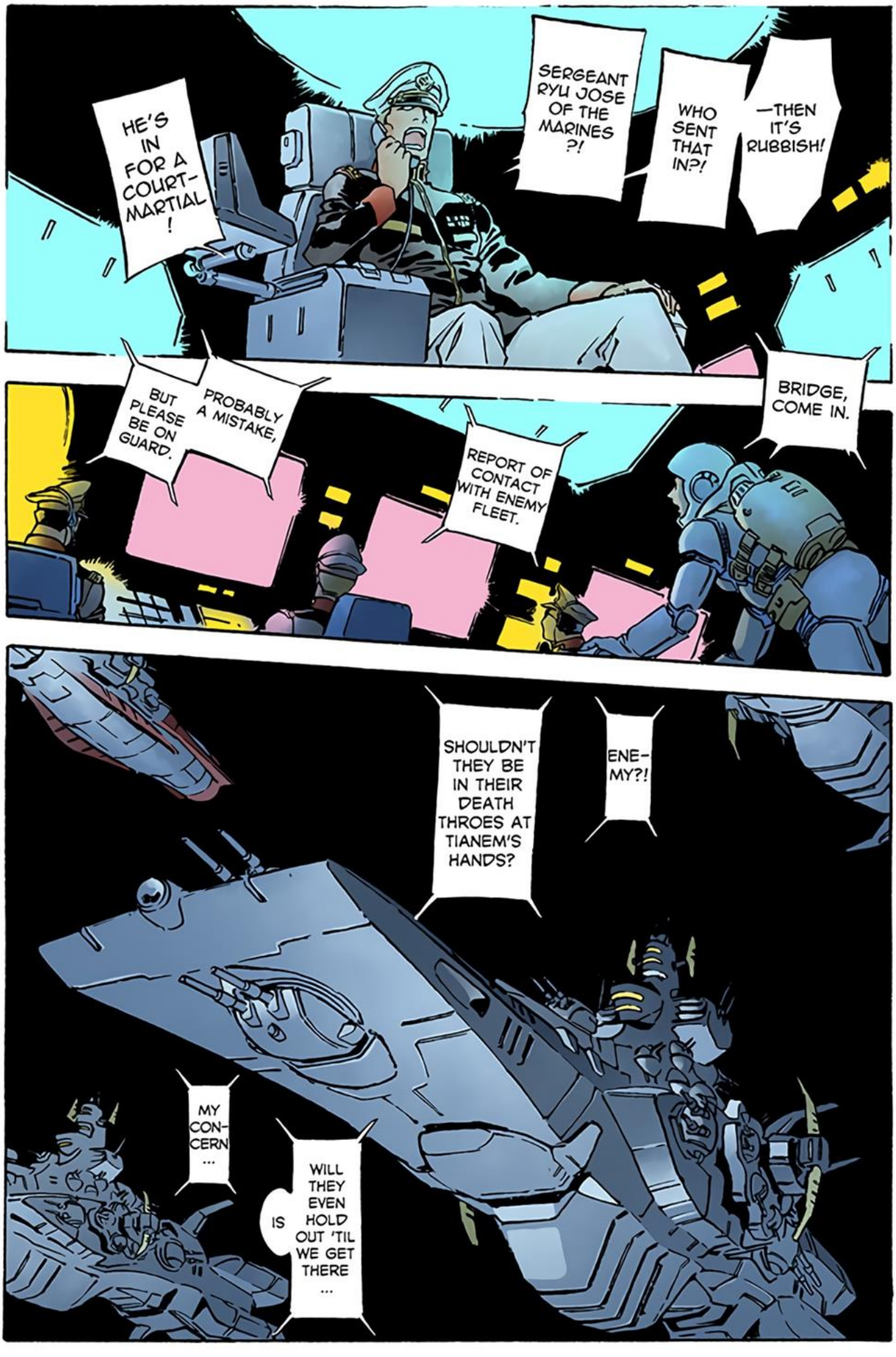

FINALLY ARRIVING AT THE FRONT...
MUST BE THE STERNS OF OUR FLEET.
HEY. ARE YOU
SURE ABOUT THAT ?
?
VECTOR ANALY-SIS!
THEN MOVE IT, COME ON!
THEIR BEAR-ING...
ACTUALLY
AGH!!
SIX ?!
UMM... BEARING, TOWARDS SIX O'CLOCK...
O-ON IT, SIR.



THE HELL ?!

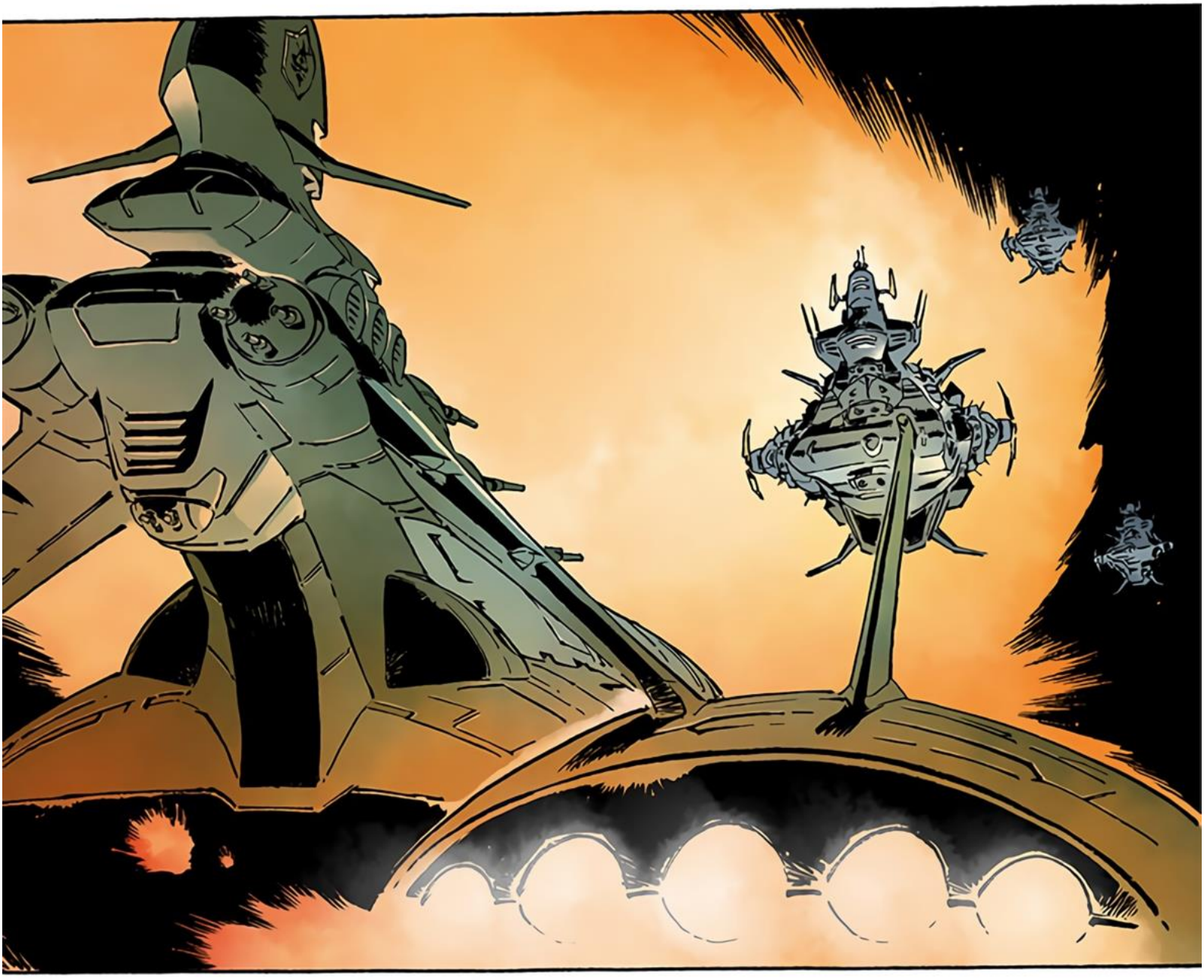

IT'S THEM !
ENEMY SHIPS !

SIR!
WE ARE RIGHT IN THE MIDDLE OF THE ENEMY FLEET!!
HAS THERE BEEN ANYTHING FROM ADMIRAL TIANEM?!
UNCONFIRMED INTEL?!
TURNED?!

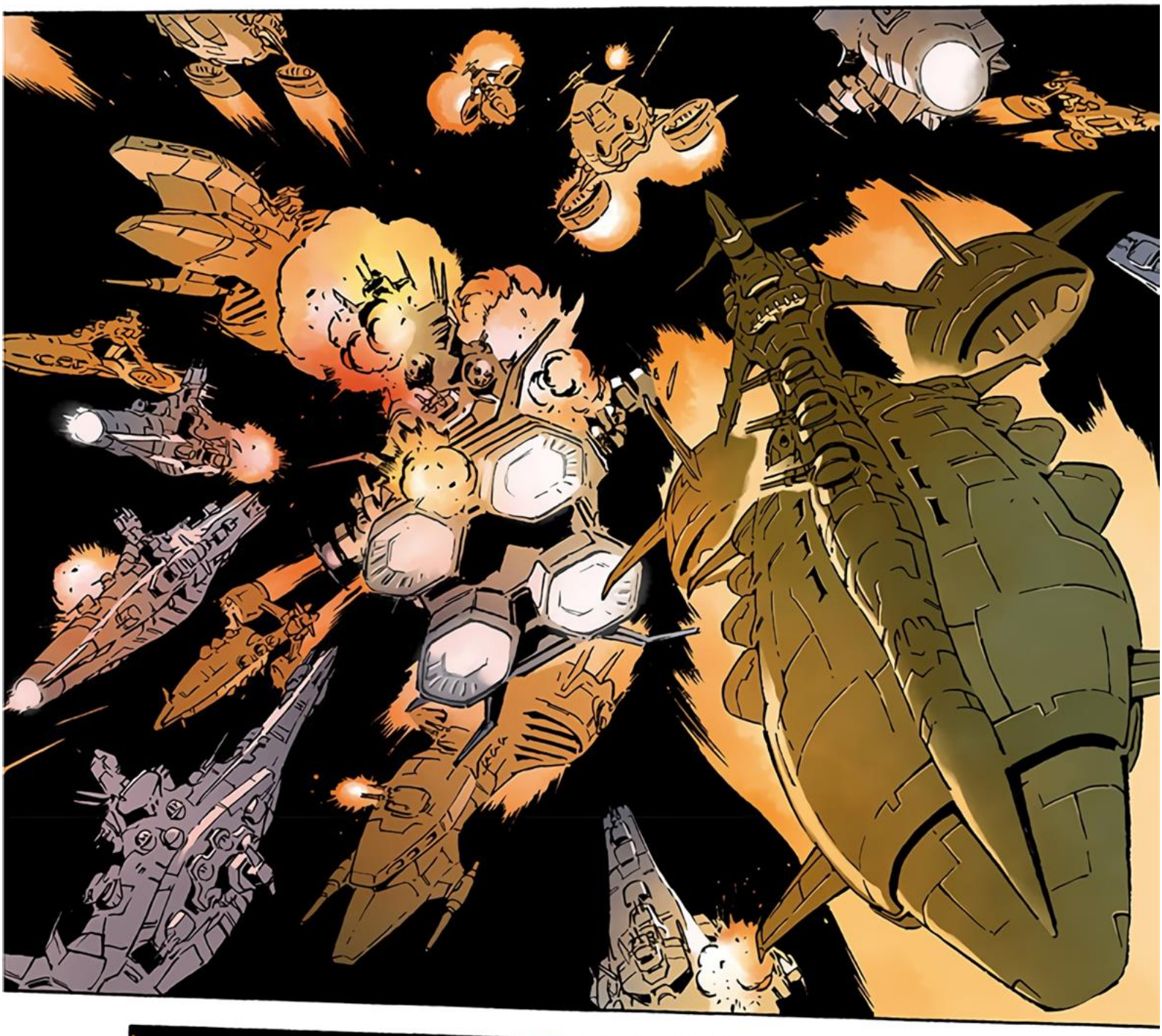

HE'S IN FOR A COURT-MARTIAL!
SERGEANT RYU JOSE OF THE MARINES?!
WHO SENT THAT IN?!
—THEN IT'S RUBBISH!
BRIDGE, COME IN.
REPORT OF CONTACT WITH ENEMY FLEET.
PROBABLY A MISTAKE, BUT PLEASE BE ON GUARD.
ENE-MY?!
SHOULDN'T THEY BE IN THEIR DEATH THROES AT TIANEM'S HANDS?
MY CON-CERN IS ...
WILL THEY EVEN HOLD OUT 'TIL WE GET THERE ...

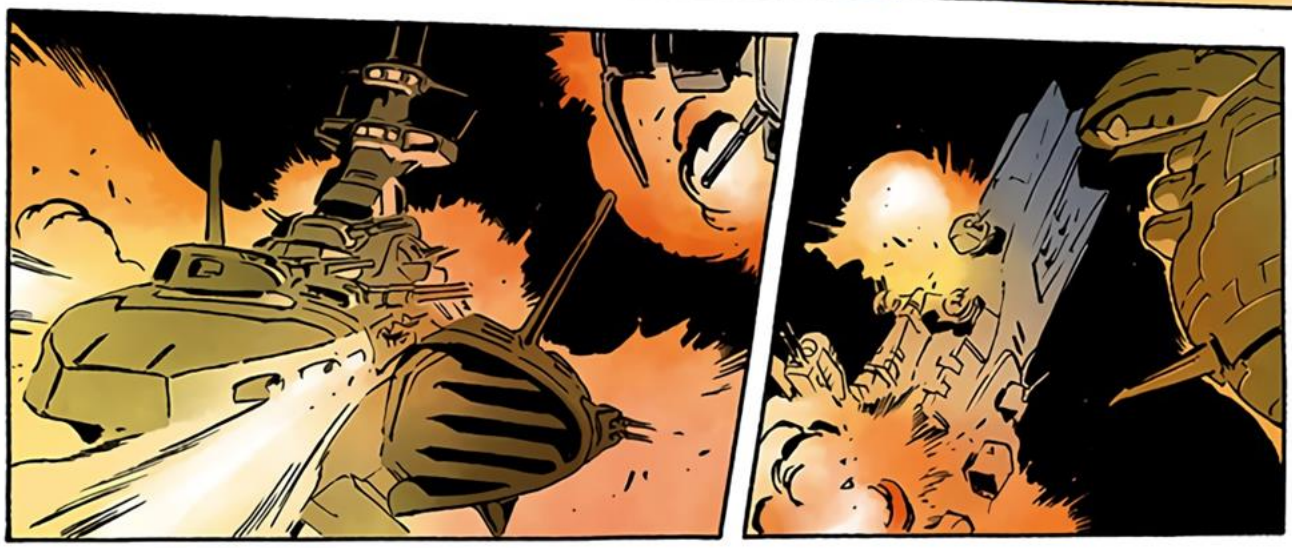
JUST RELAX AND GET READY
FOR A VICTORY PARADE IN ZUM CITY.
A WILD PARTY AT THE ROYAL PALACE.
DIG ?
OH,
AS YOU WERE.
ARE ...
HOW DOES IT LOOK ?
HM ?

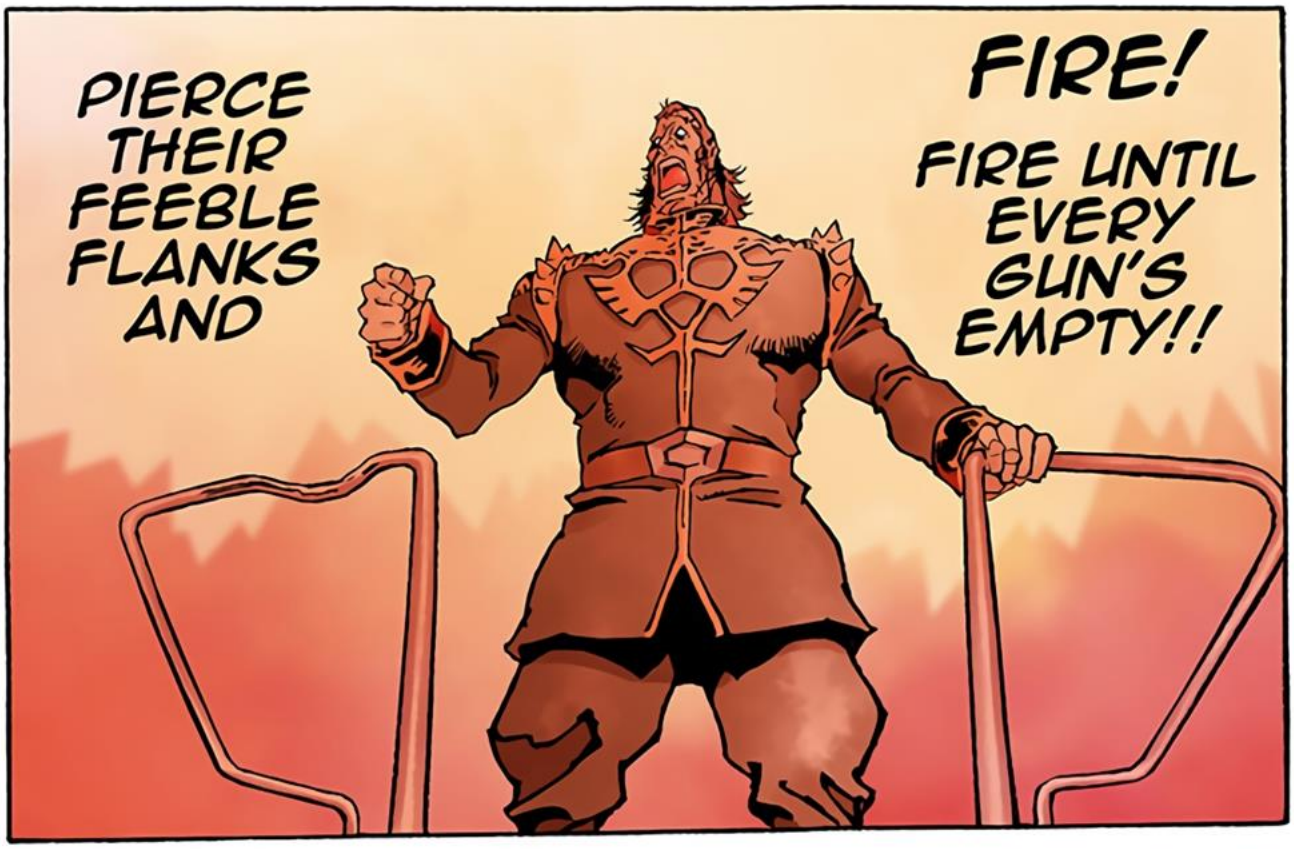
WHAT'S THAT?!



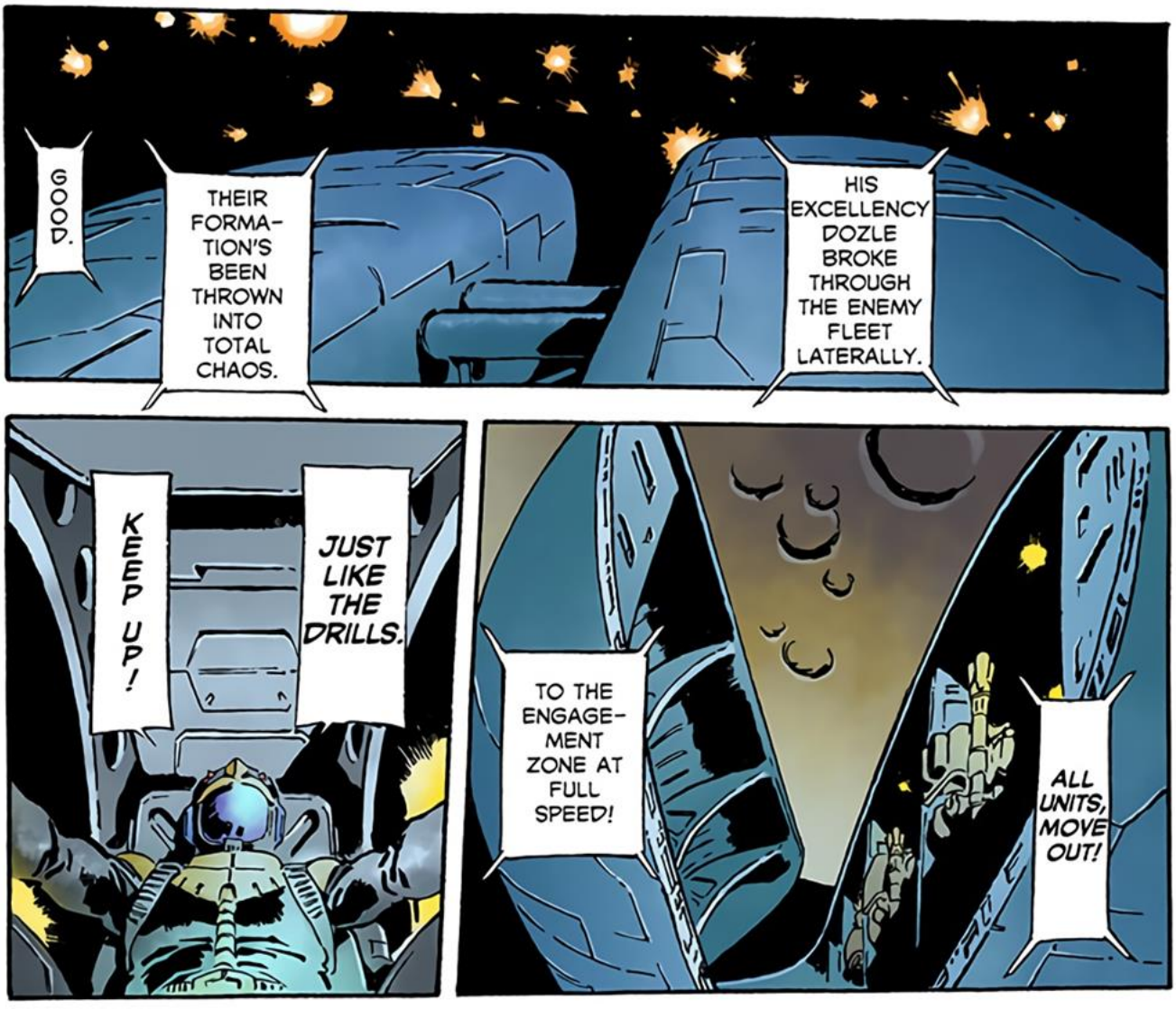
FIRE!!



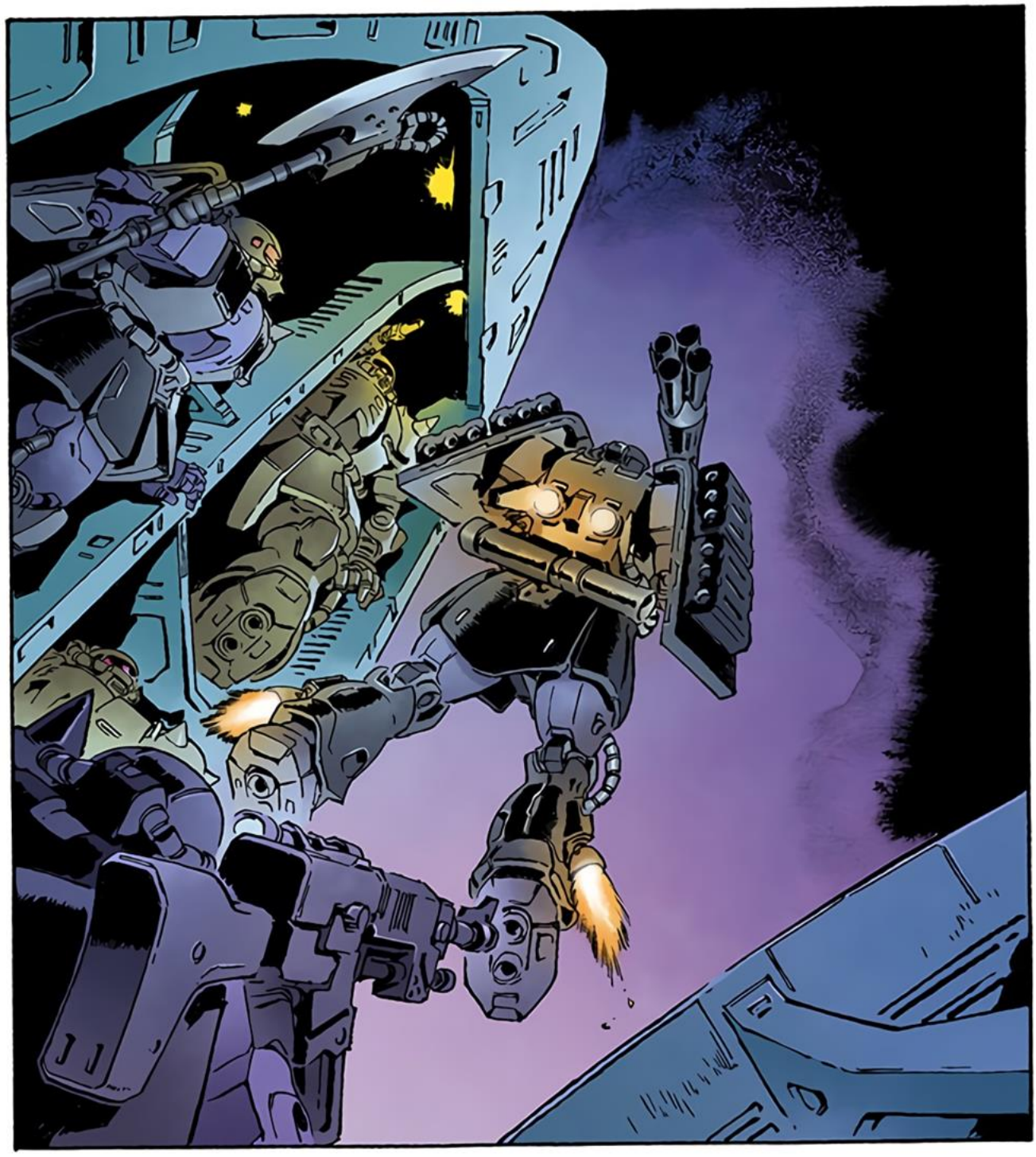


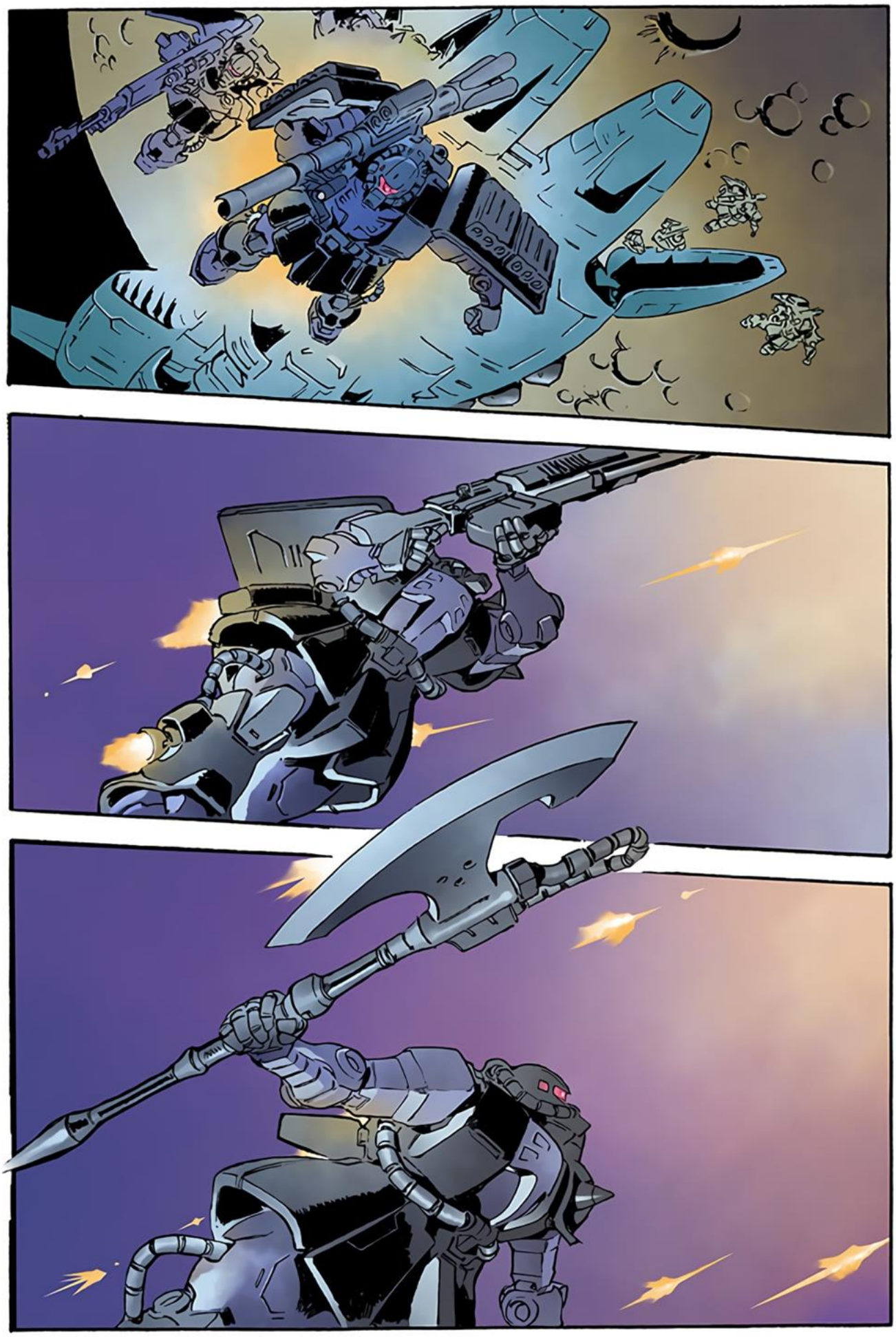

PIERCE THEIR FEEBLE FLANKS AND
FIRE!
FIRE UNTIL EVERY GUN'S EMPTY!!

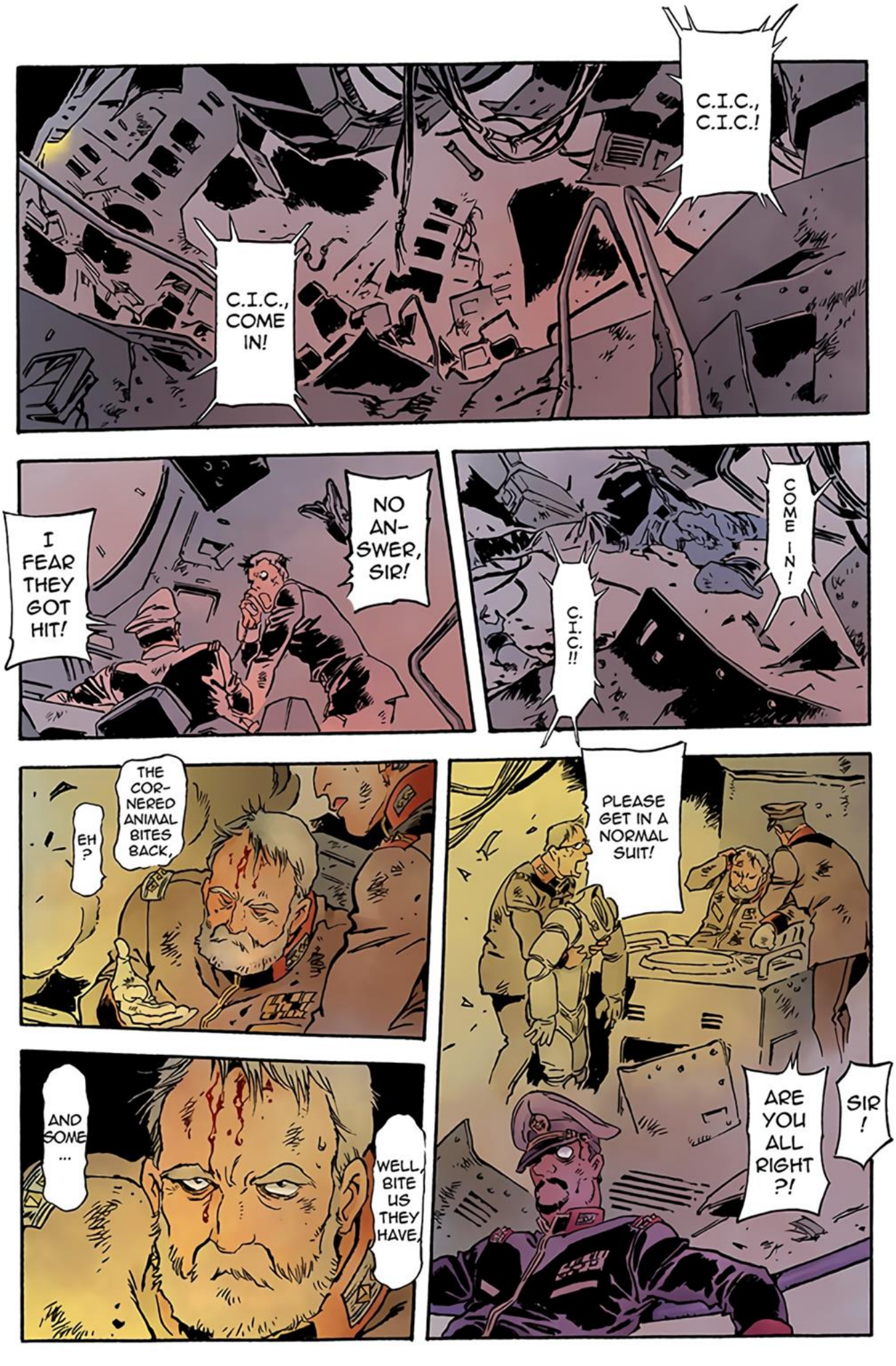
THEM!
END


GOOD.
THEIR FORMATION'S BEEN THROWN INTO TOTAL CHAOS.
HIS EXCELLENCY DOZLE BROKE THROUGH THE ENEMY FLEET LATERALLY.
KEEP UP!
JUST LIKE THE DRILLS.
TO THE ENGAGEMENT ZONE AT FULL SPEED!
ALL UNITS, MOVE OUT!

MEN !!
FOL-
LOW
ME,

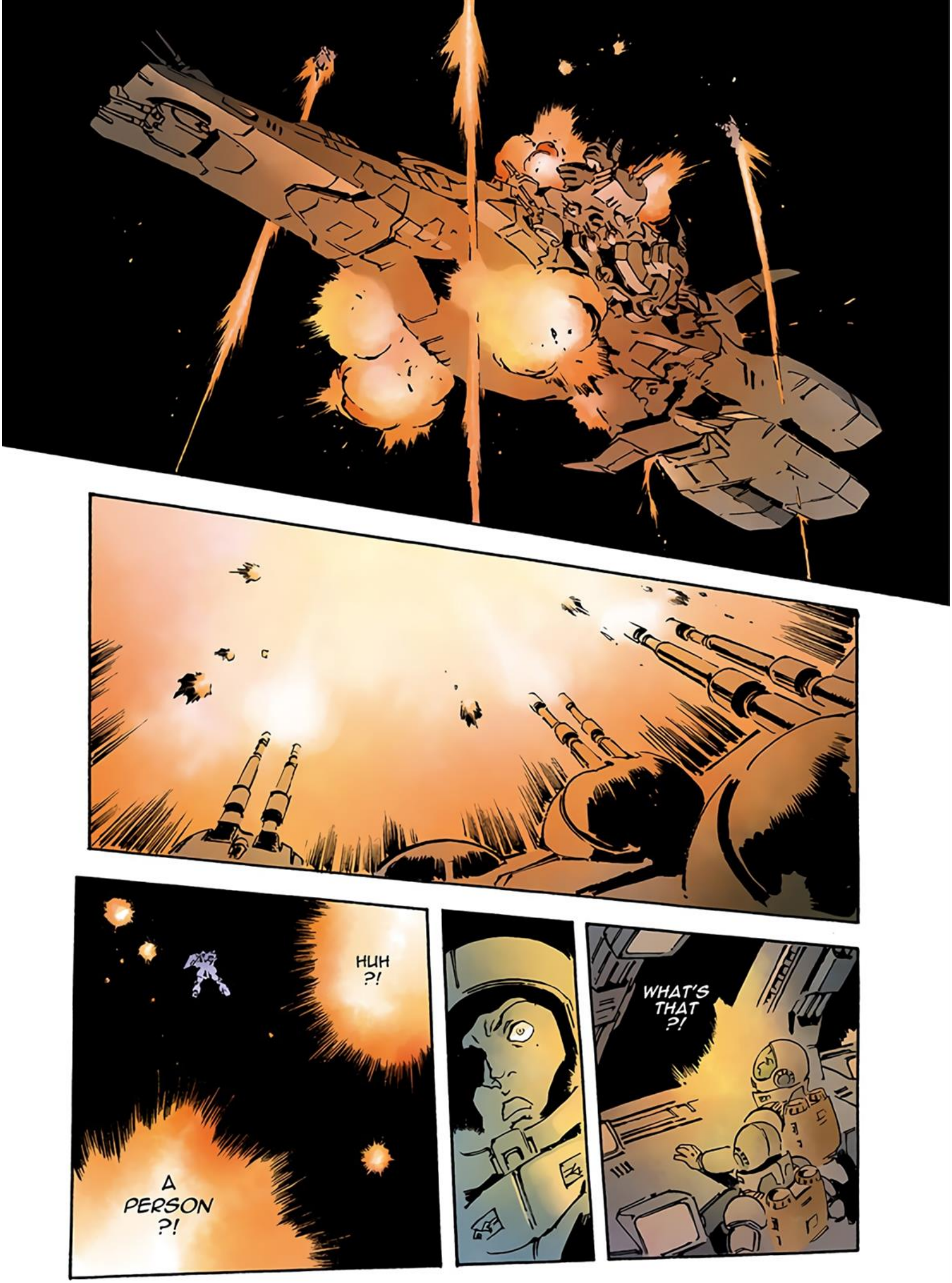


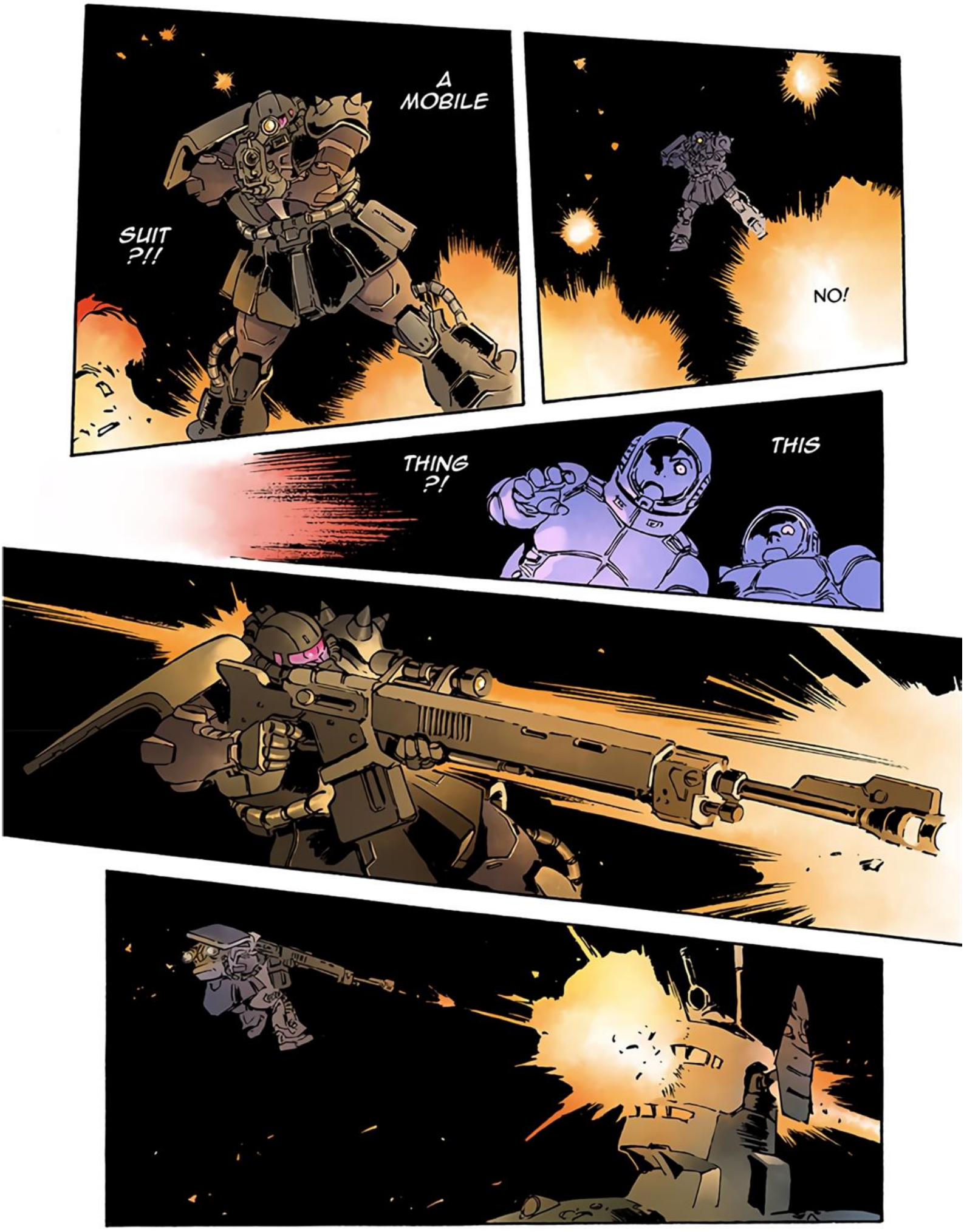


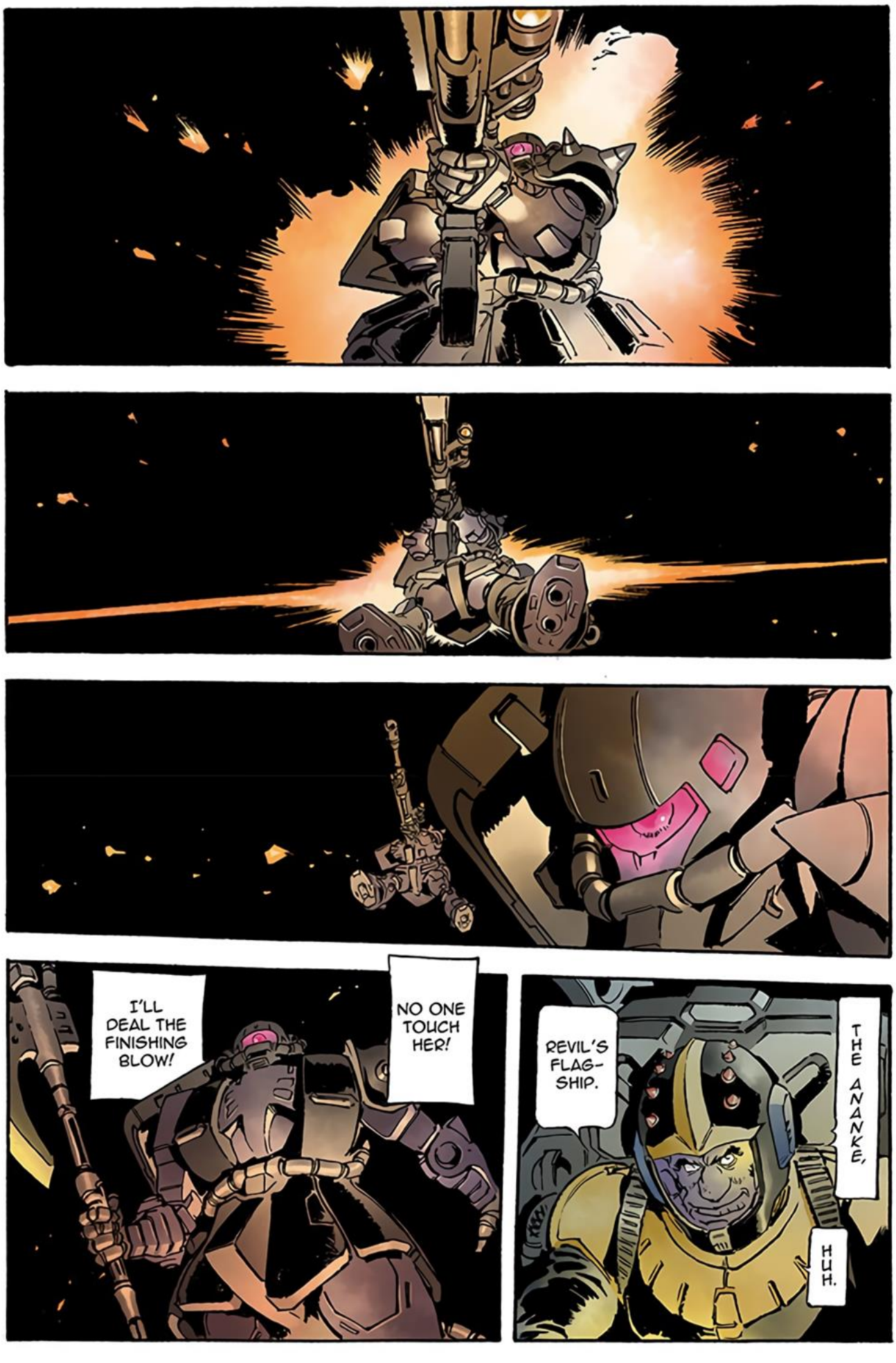

C.I.C., C.I.C.!
C.I.C., COME IN!
I FEAR THEY GOT HIT!
NO AN-SWER, SIR!
COME IN!
C.I.C.!!
THE COR-NERED ANIMAL BITES BACK,
EH?
PLEASE GET IN A NORMAL SUIT!
SIR!
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?!
AND SOME...
WELL, BITE US THEY HAVE,

IN A NORMAL SUIT, NOW!
GET EVERY-ONE
AND
ALL SHIPS, TURN 180°
THEY'LL TURN AROUND TO HIT US AGAIN!
CAP-TAIN!
BLAST AT LOWER PORT SIDE!
THEY'RE COMING AT US FROM BELOW!
ALL HANDS TO YOUR BATTLE STA-TIONS!
GUN-NERY STAFF, MAN ALL TUR-RETS!
QUICK!!

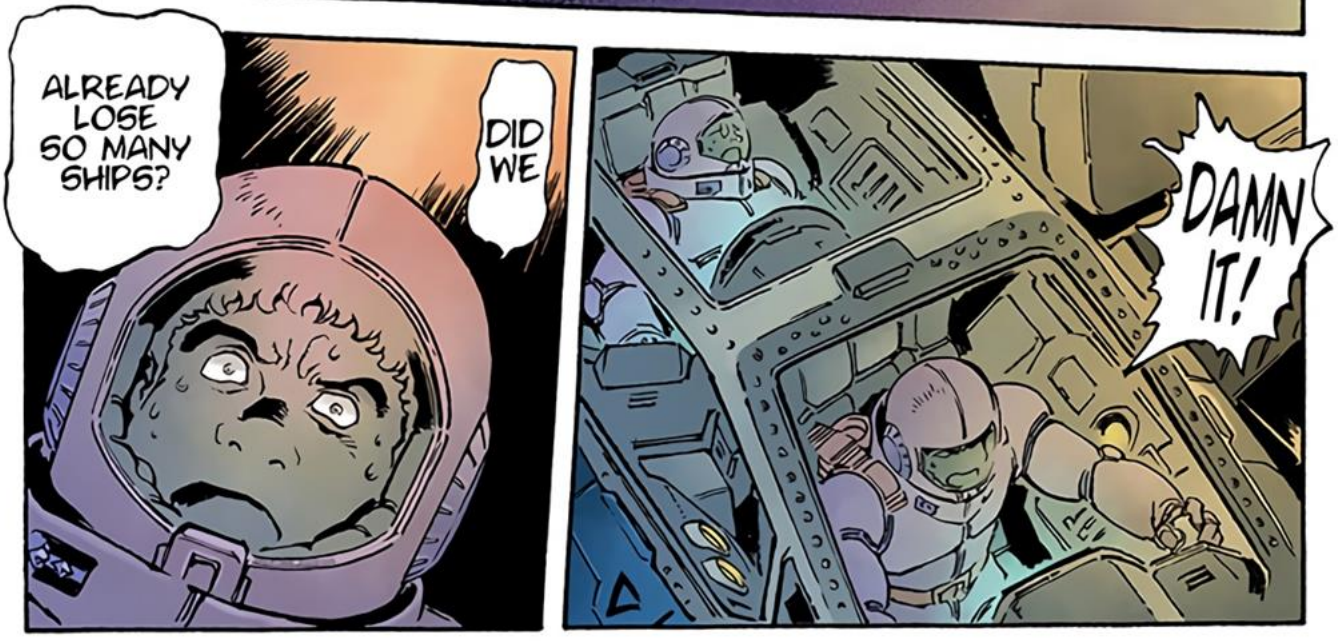
WHAT?!
ENEMY SHIPS, BELOW US?
HOW?!
ZEON...
YOU SCARE ME.

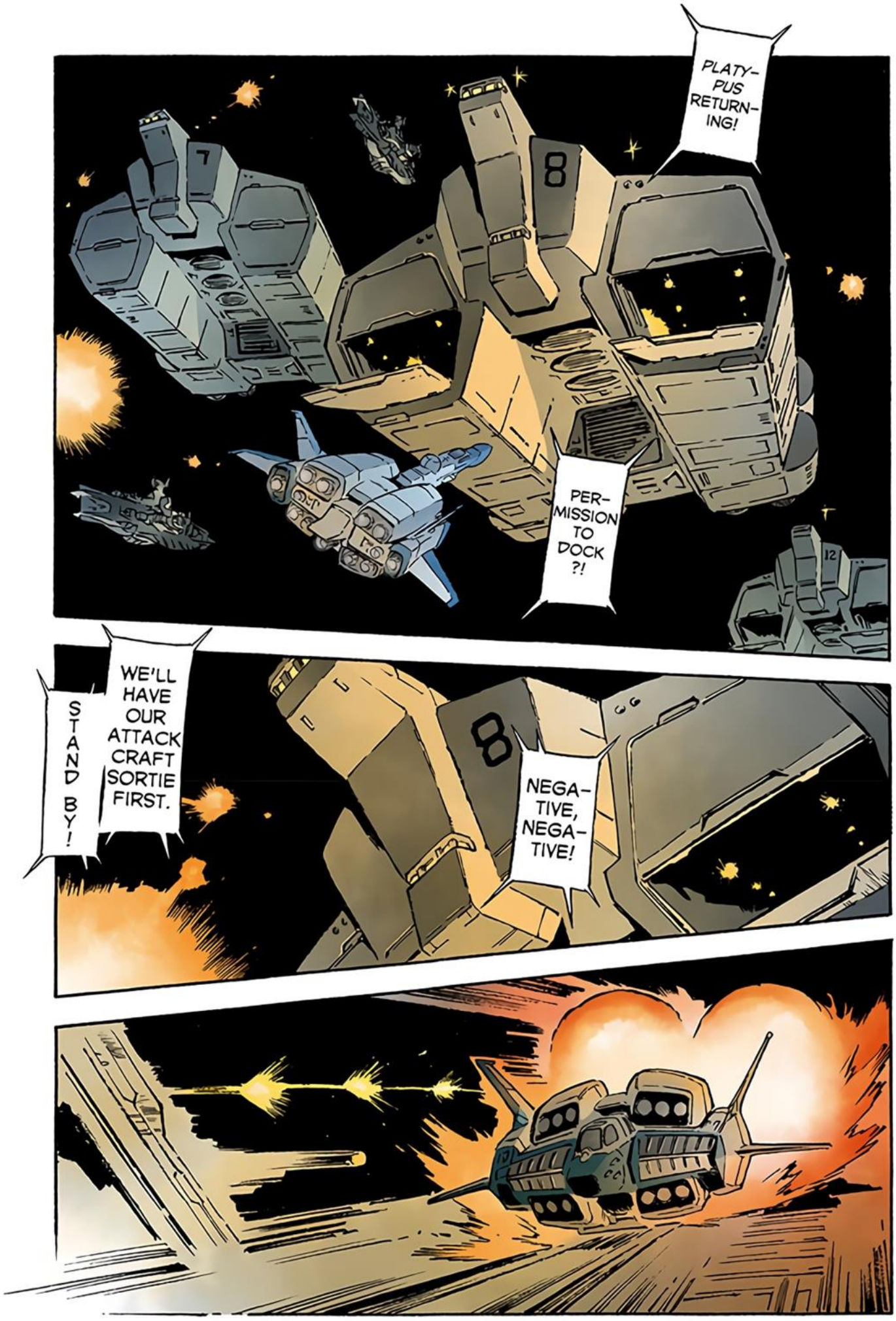

HUH ?!
A PERSON ?!
WHAT'S THAT ?!


A MOBILE
SUIT ?!!
NO!
THIS
THING ?!


I'LL DEAL THE FINISHING BLOW!
NO ONE TOUCH HER!
REVIL'S FLAG-SHIP.
THE ANANKE,
HUH.

ABANDON SHIP!
ABANDON SHIP!


ALREADY LOSE SO MANY SHIPS?
DID WE
DAMN IT!


PLATY-
PUS
RETURN-
ING!
PER-
MISSION
TO
DOCK
?!
7
8
12
STAND
BY!
WE'LL
HAVE
OUR
ATTACK
CRAFT
SORTIE
FIRST.
NEGA-
TIVE,
NEGA-
TIVE!
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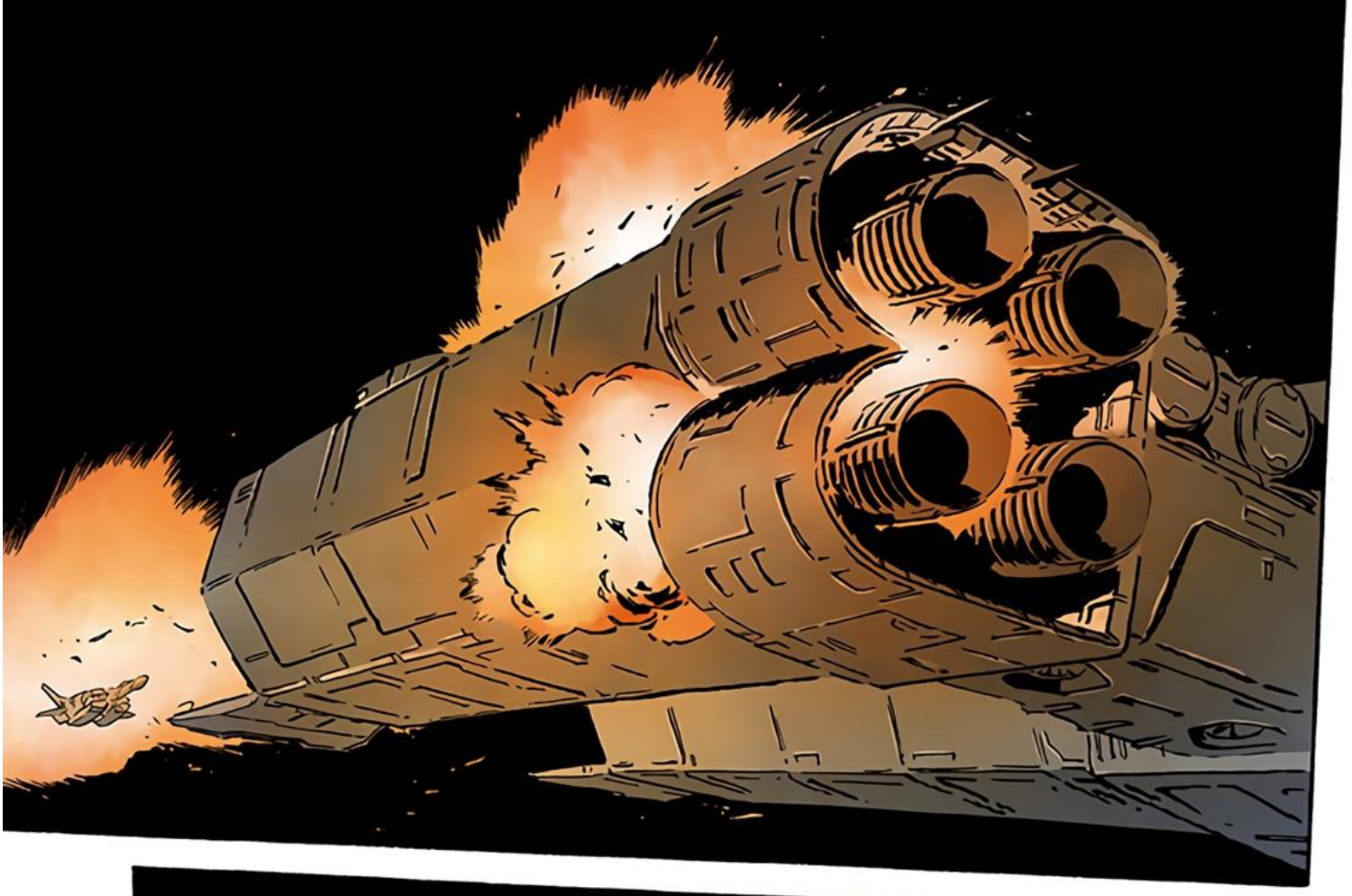
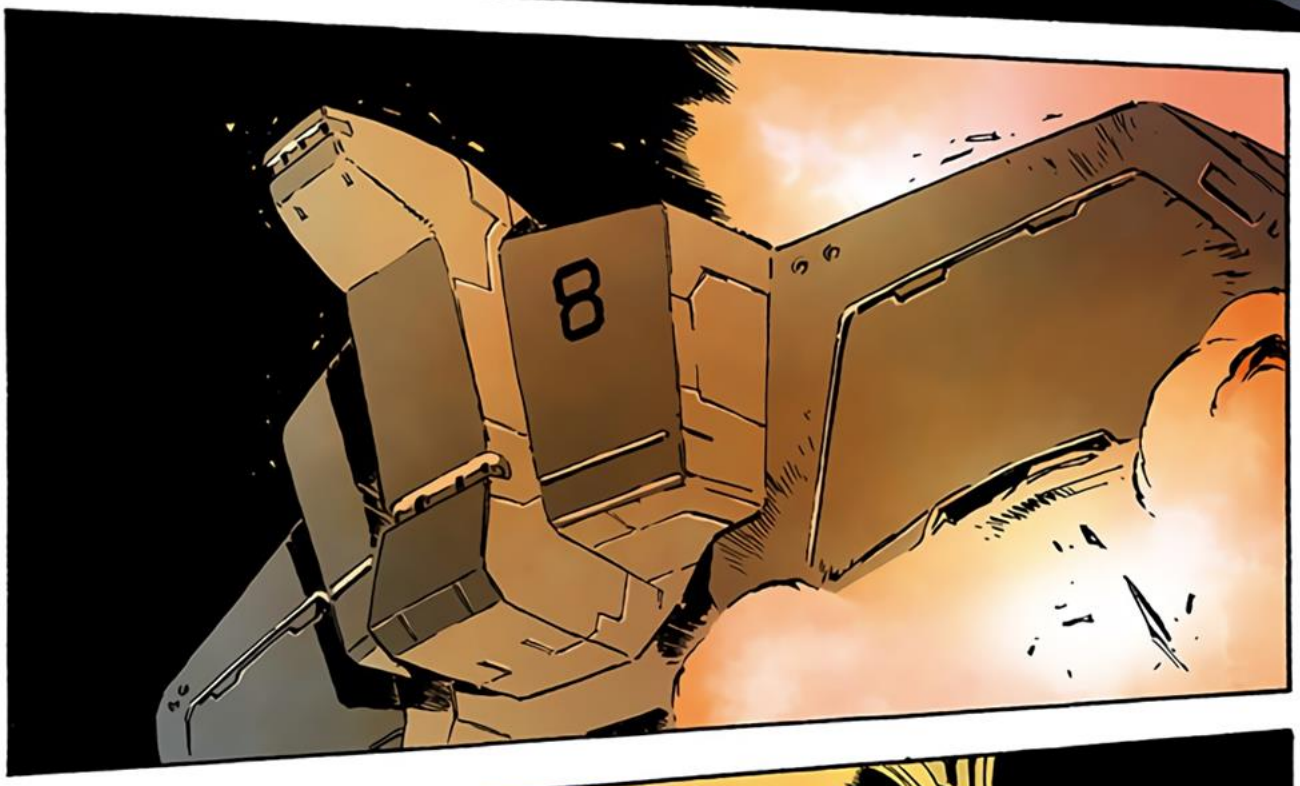
THAT WAS A NEAR MISS!
BACK IT UP, GOSH DARN IT!

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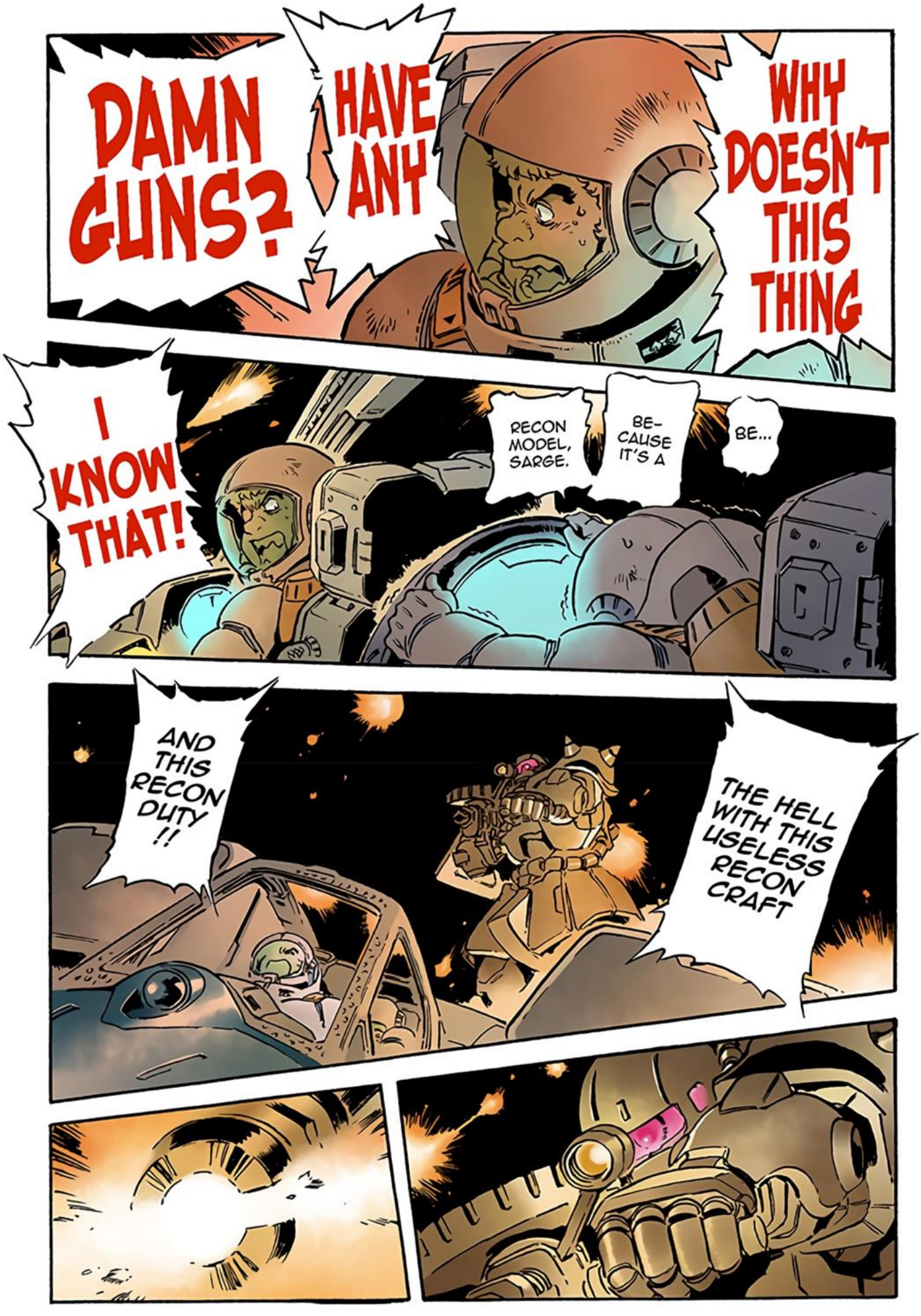
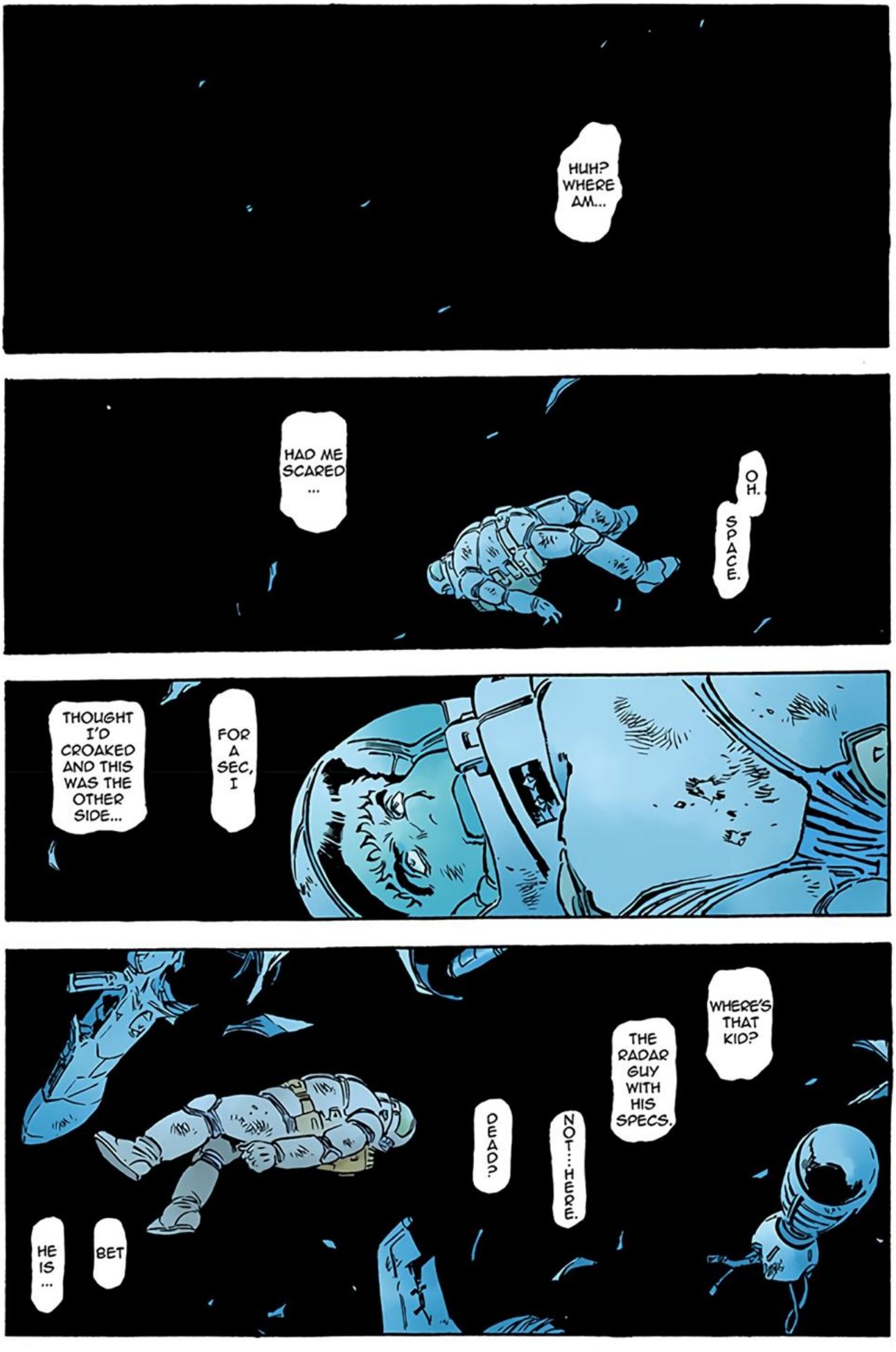
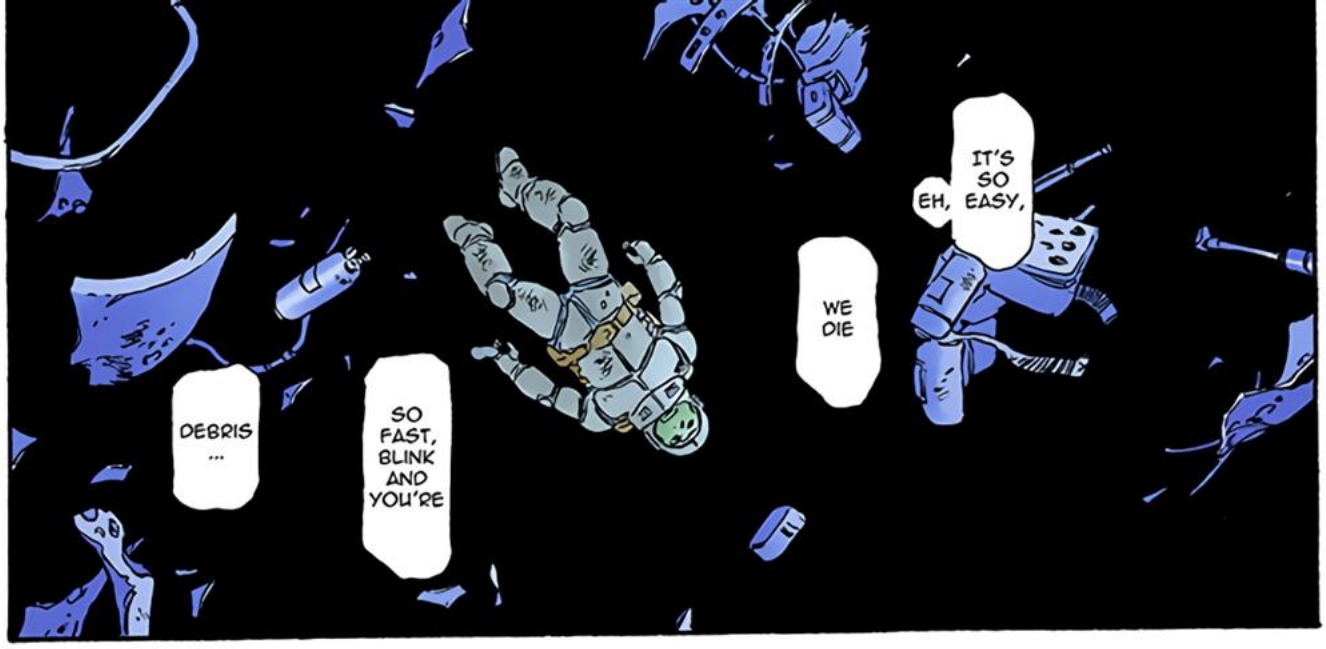
STOP CRY-ING!

CRAP!


DAMN GUNS?
HAVE ANY
WHY DOESN'T THIS THING
I KNOW THAT!
RECON MODEL, SARGE.
BE-CAUSE IT'S A
BE...
AND THIS RECON DUTY !!
THE HELL WITH THIS USELESS RECON CRAFT

?
NOW HERE'S A NICE SMALL TARGET.
SHIPS ARE TOO EASY TO HIT.
THAT IN-SIG-NIA.
LOOK!
HOLD YOUR FIRE.


HUH? WHERE AM...
OH. SPACE.
HAD ME SCARED ...
FOR A SEC, I THOUGHT I'D CROAKED AND THIS WAS THE OTHER SIDE...
WHERE'S THAT KID?
THE RADAR GUY WITH HIS SPECS.
NOT...HERE.
DEAD?
BET
HE IS ...

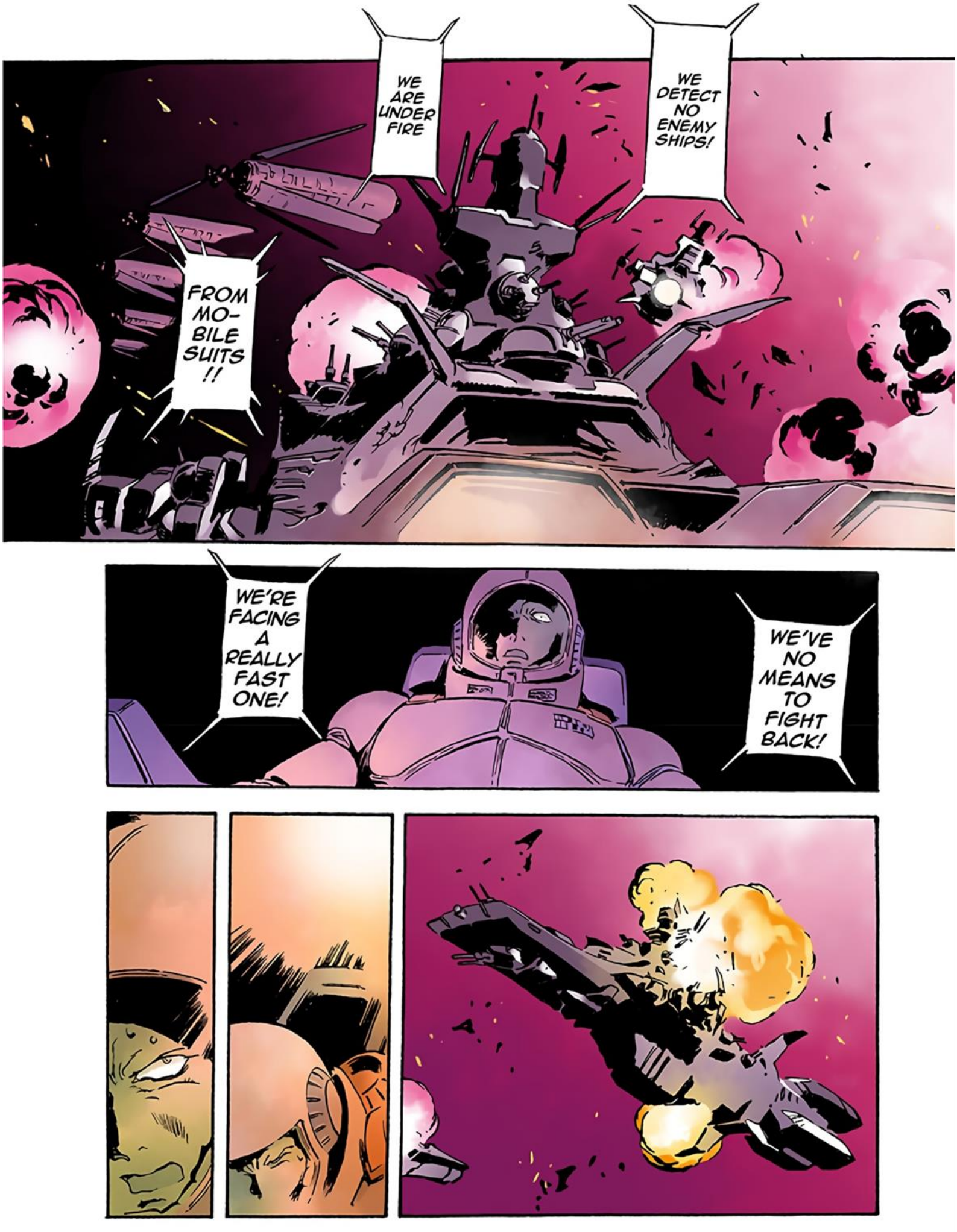

DEBRIS ...
SO FAST, BLINK AND YOU'RE
WE DIE
EH, IT'S SO EASY,

JUST MORE TRASH DUMPED OUT INTO SPACE...
MUM-BLING, GRIPING DEBRIS...
GUESS I'M DEBRIS TOO?

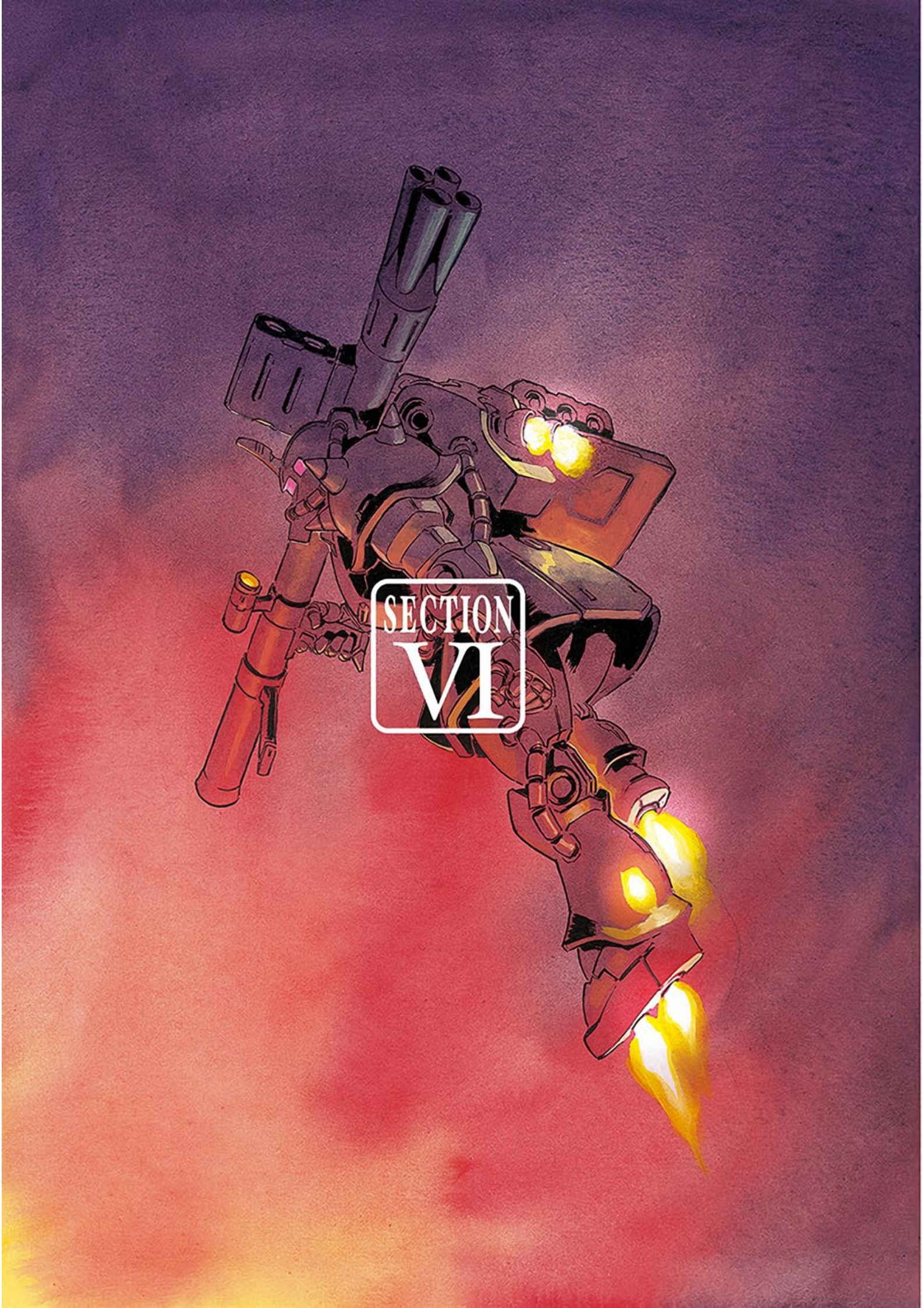
AH
HOW PRETTY

DEBRIS DON'T KNOW "PRETTY."
I'M HU-MAN
AL-MOST DE-BRIS, BUT STILL HU-MAN ...
HEYY, FOUR-EYES ...
MORE DEBRIS TO JOIN ME...
WAIT, IS THAT RIGHT ?
UH-UH.

COME IN!
THIS IS WAT-KEIN!
ANAN-KE! ANAN-KE!!
WITHIN SIGHT OF LOUM!!
WE'RE BEING MUGGED


WE ARE UNDER FIRE
WE DETECT NO ENEMY SHIPS!
FROM MO-BILE SUITS !!
WE'RE FACING A REALLY FAST ONE!
WE'VE NO MEANS TO FIGHT BACK!

ABANDON SHIP!!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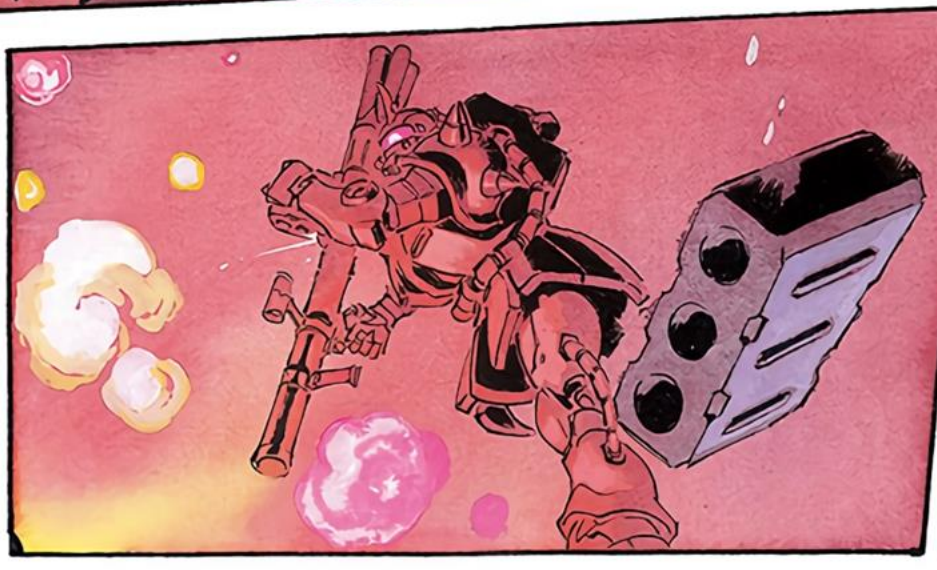
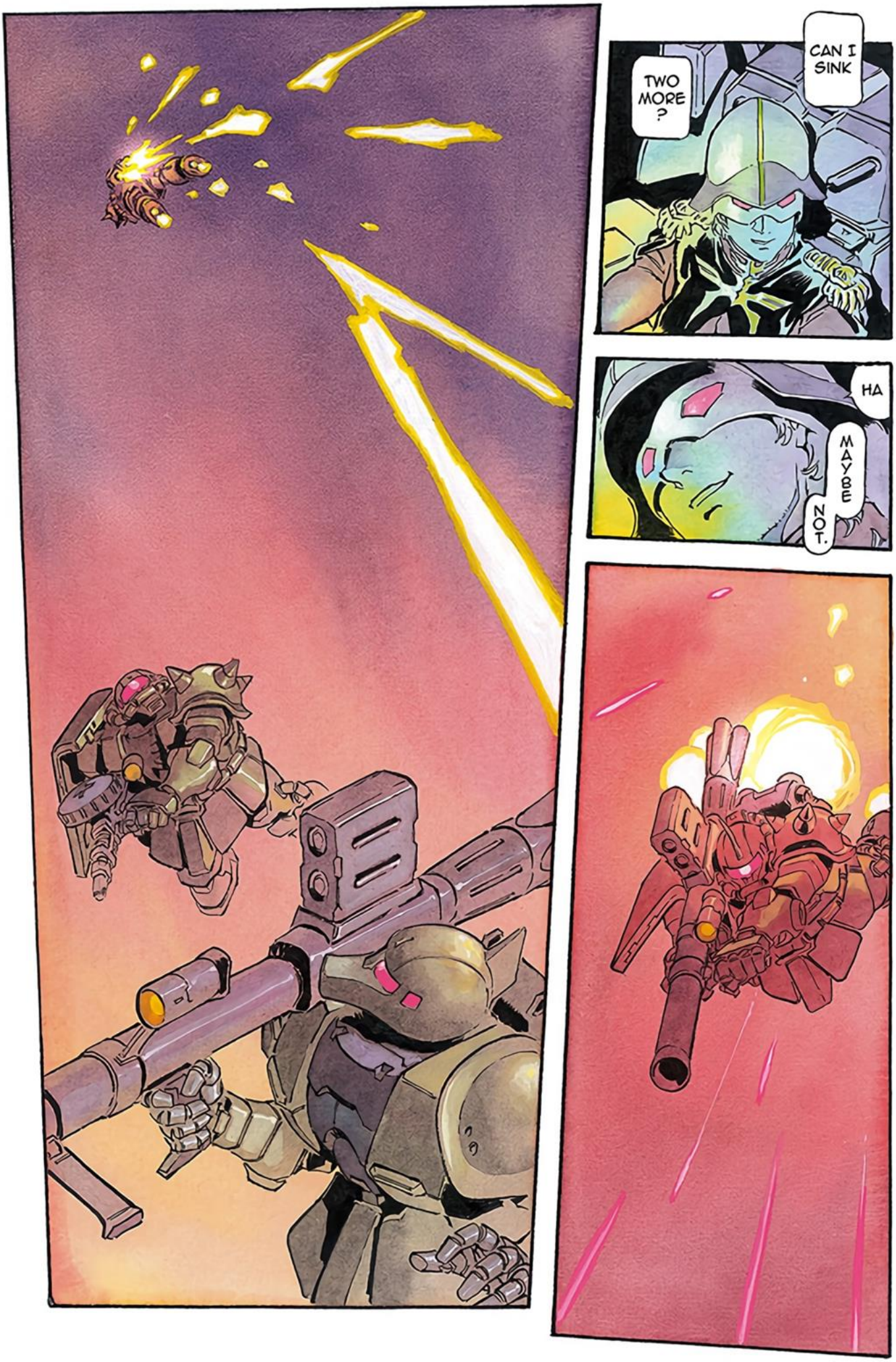
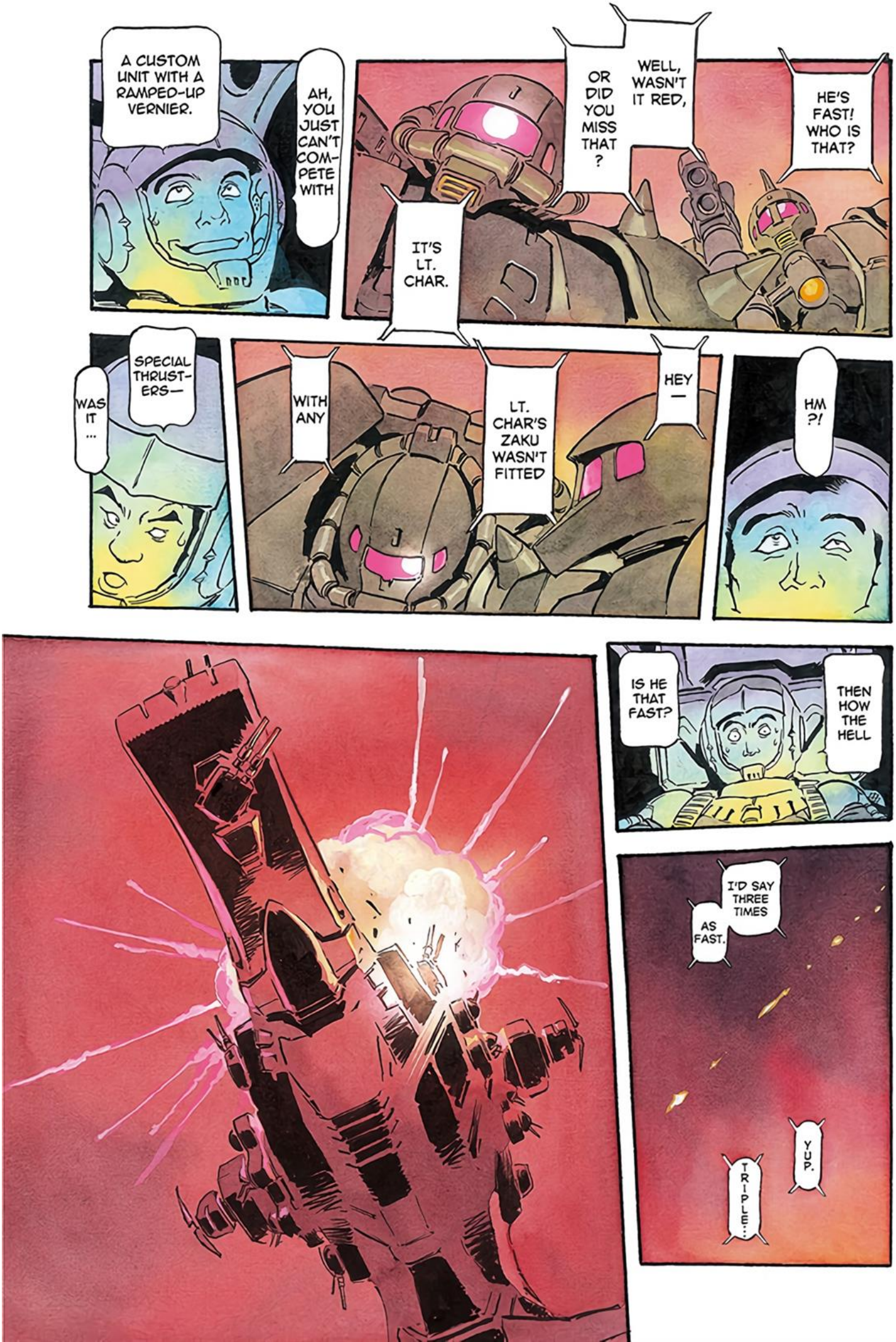
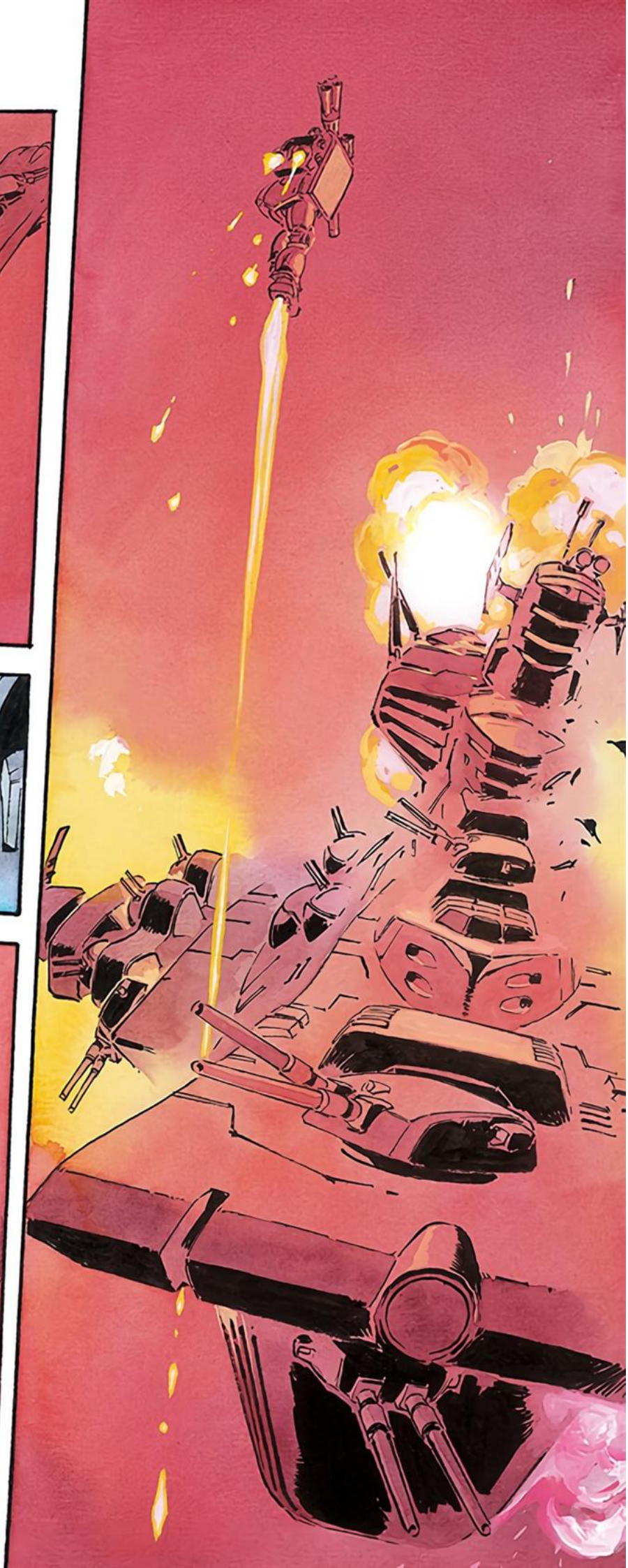


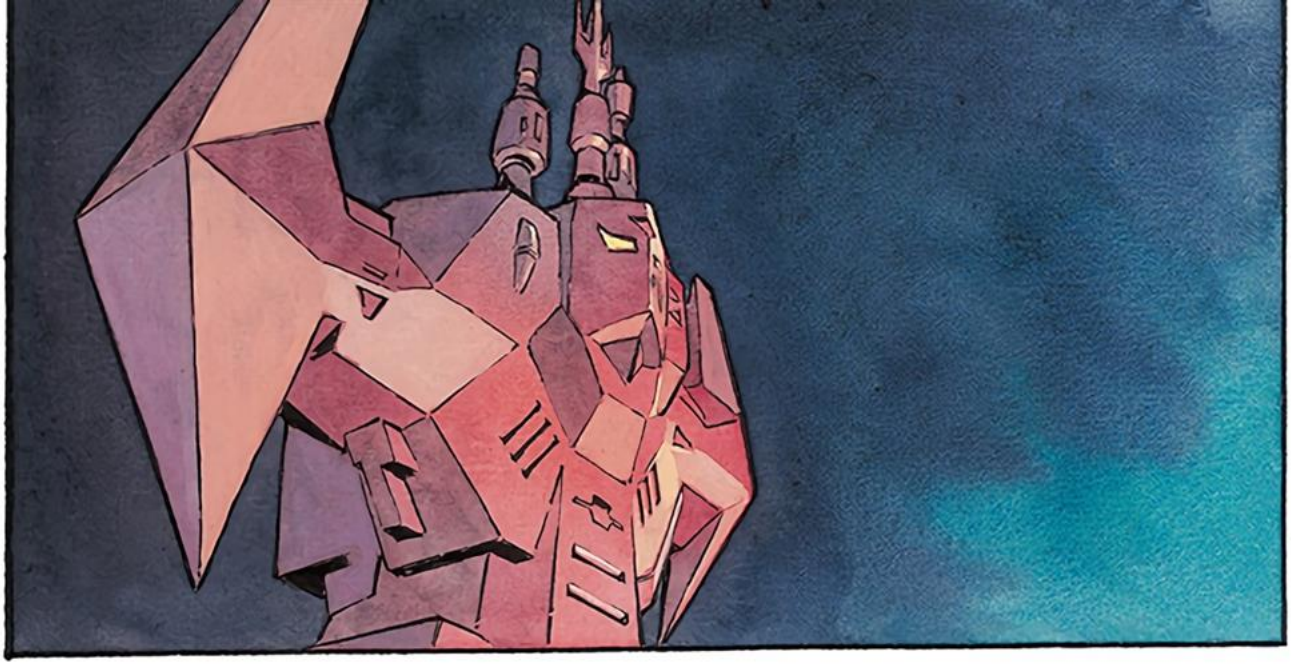
THREE SHOTS
LEFT.

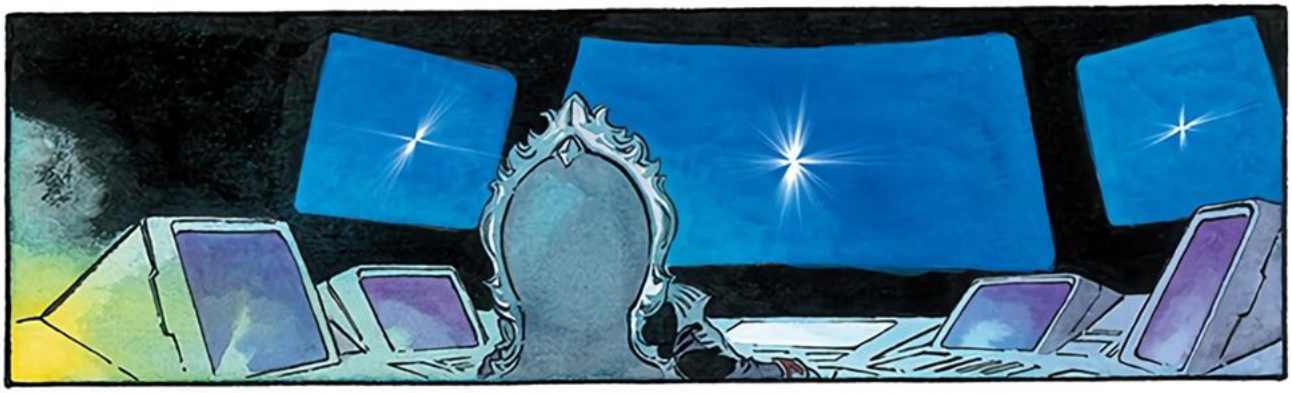

CAN I SINK
TWO MORE ?
HA
MAYBE NOT.


A CUSTOM UNIT WITH A RAMPED-UP VERNIER.
AH, YOU JUST CAN'T COM-PETE WITH
WELL, WASN'T IT RED, OR DID YOU MISS THAT ?
HE'S FAST! WHO IS THAT?
IT'S LT. CHAR.
WAS IT ...
SPECIAL THRUST-ERS—
WITH ANY
LT. CHAR'S ZAKU WASN'T FITTED
HEY —
HM ?!
IS HE THAT FAST?
THEN HOW THE HELL
I'D SAY THREE TIMES AS FAST.
YUP.
TRIPLE...

LEFT
—
ONE SHOT

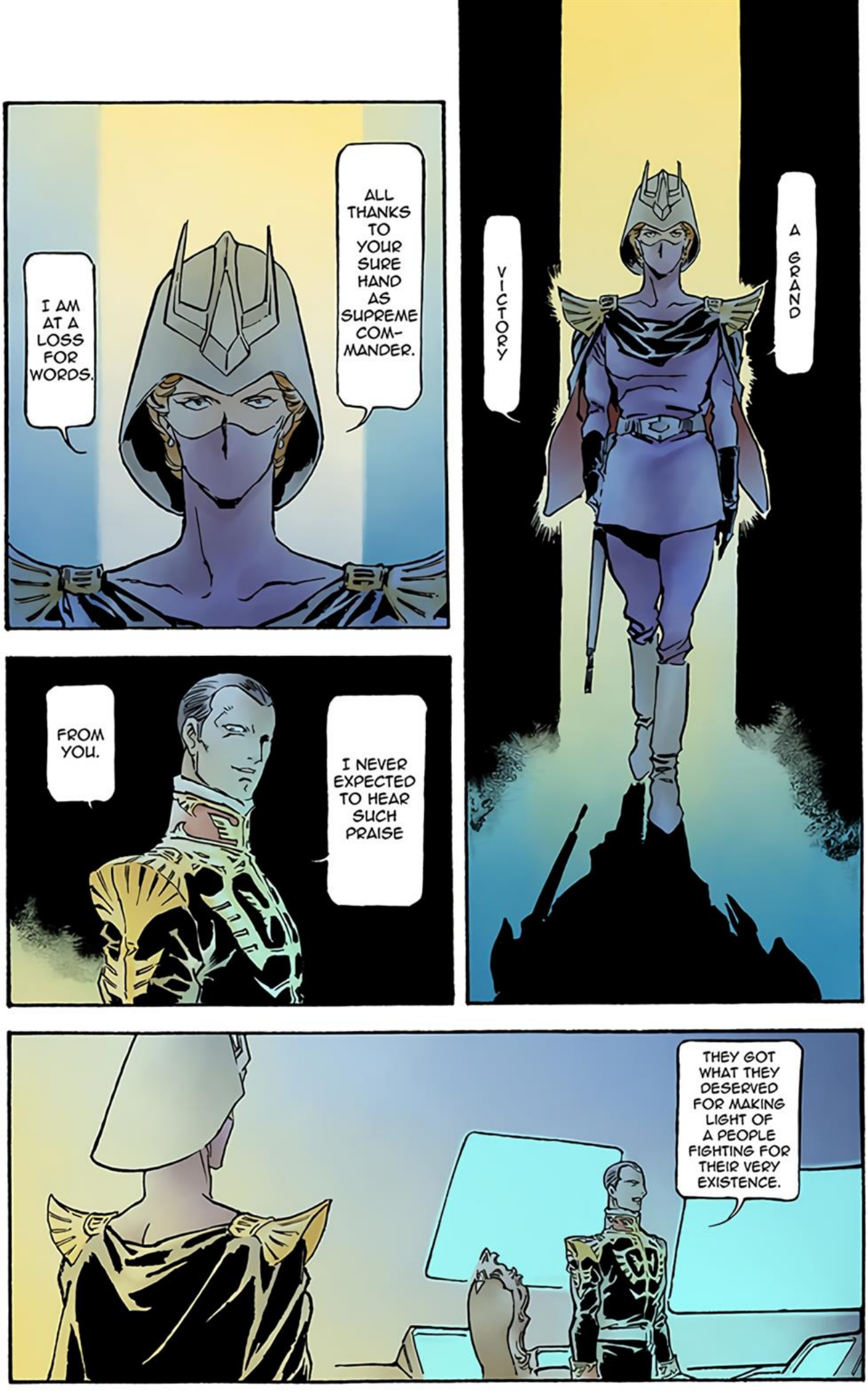




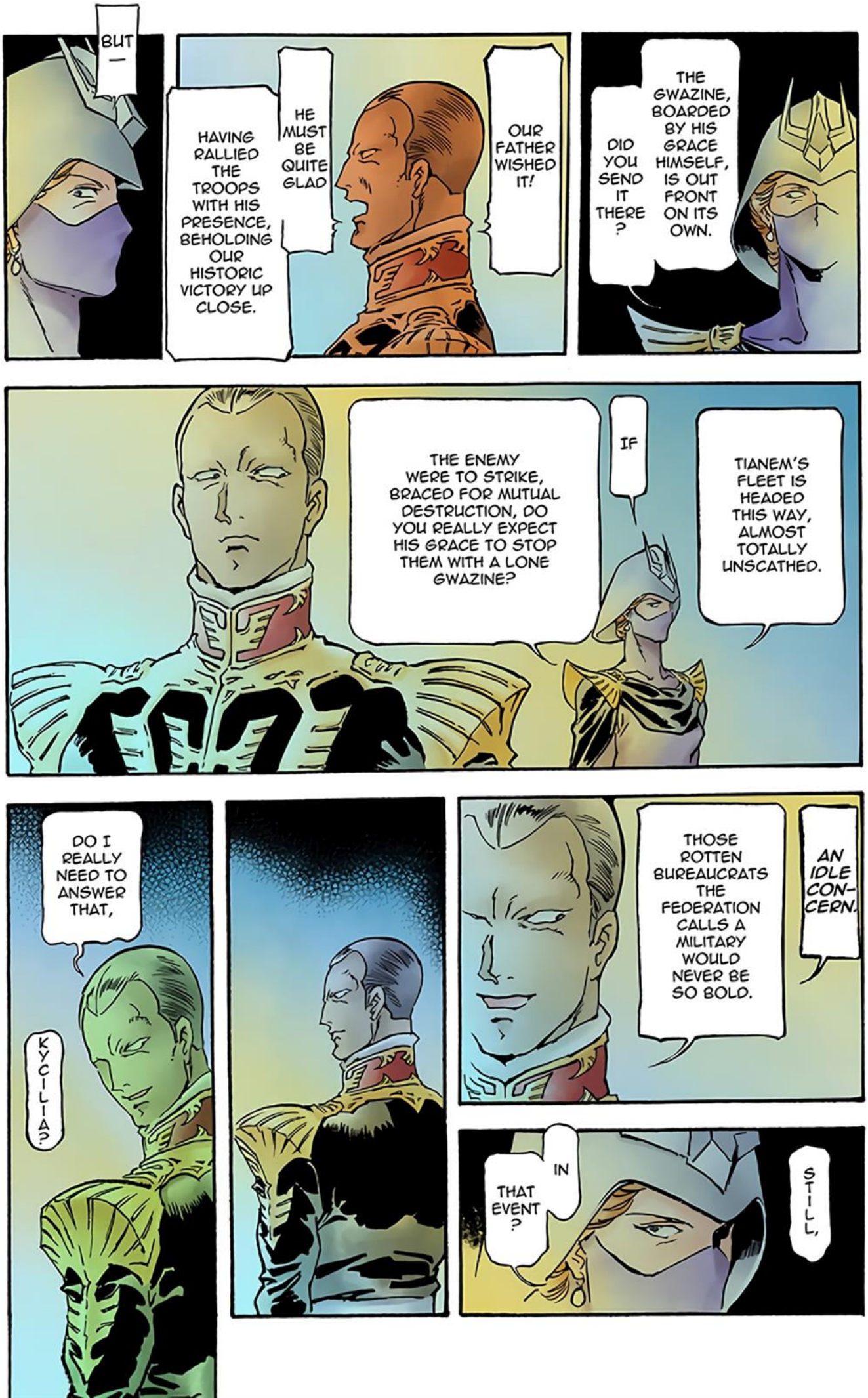


CON-
GRAT-
ULA-
TIONS.

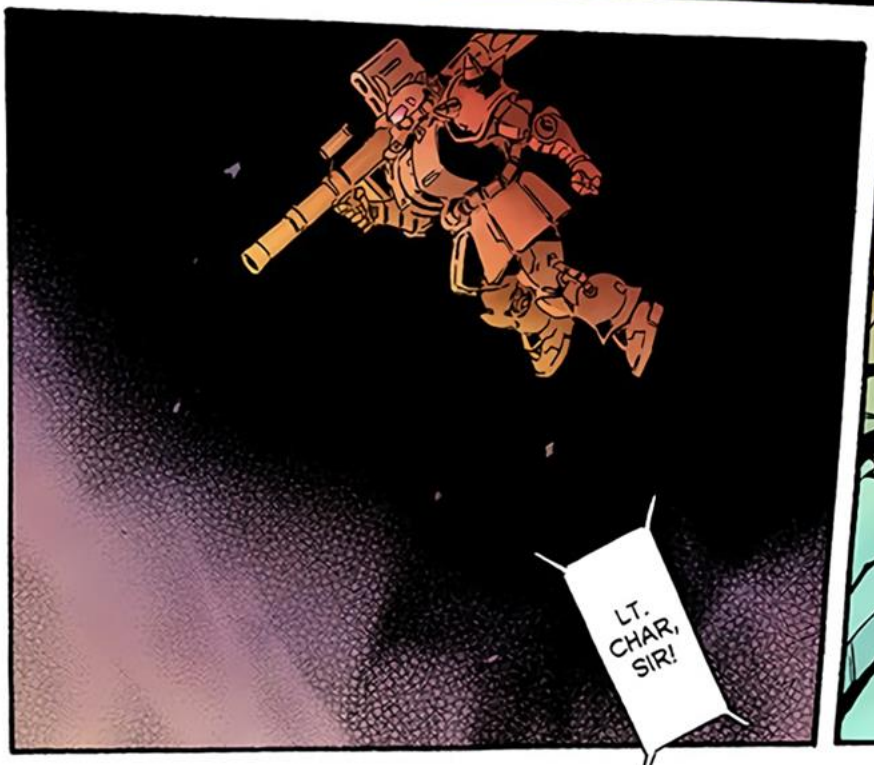
HAH...


A GRAND VICTORY
ALL THANKS TO YOUR SURE HAND AS SUPREME COM-MANDER.
I AM AT A LOSS FOR WORDS.
I NEVER EXPECTED TO HEAR SUCH PRAISE
FROM YOU.
THEY GOT WHAT THEY DESERVED FOR MAKING LIGHT OF A PEOPLE FIGHTING FOR THEIR VERY EXISTENCE.

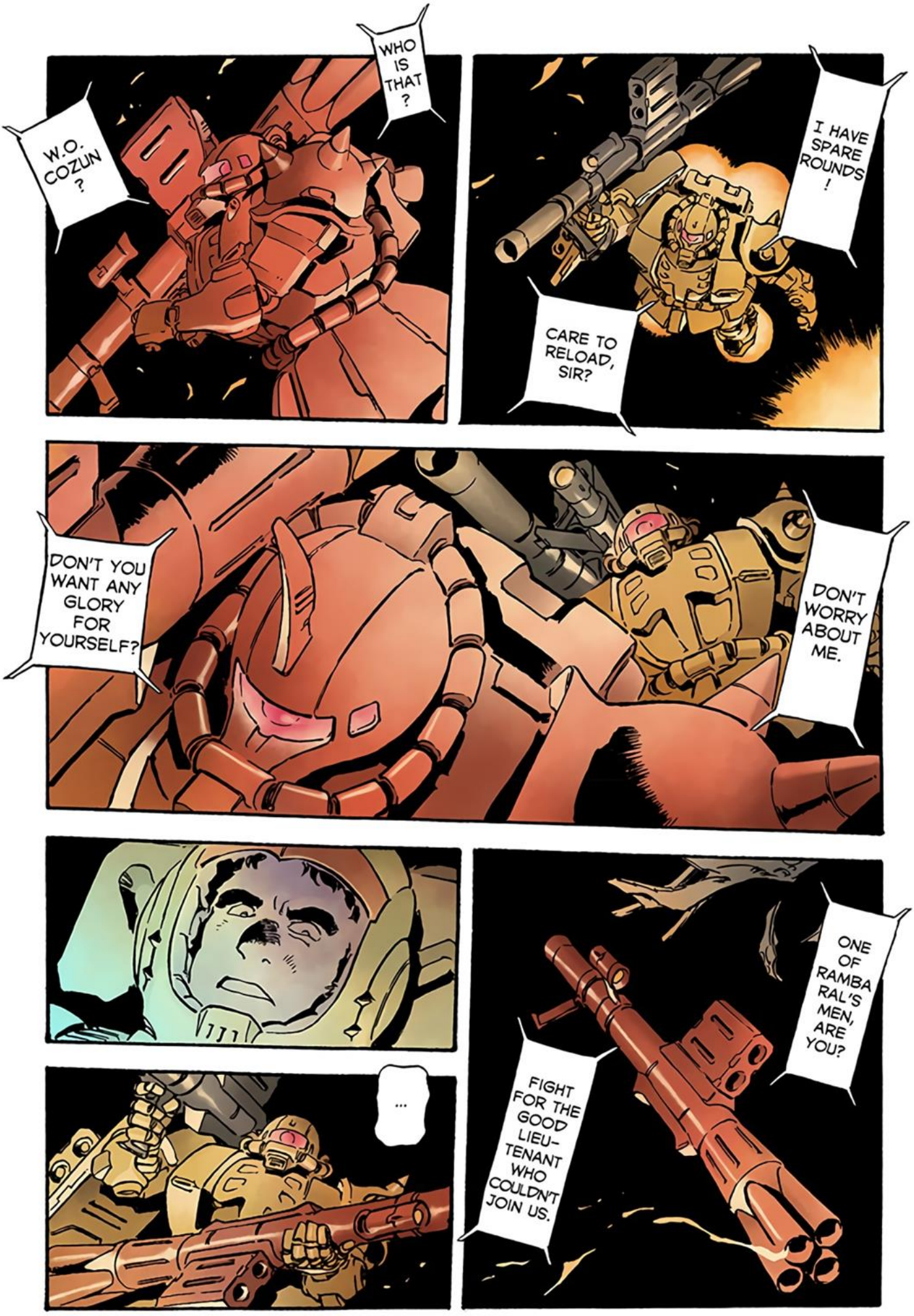
MY, MY...
THE VICTOR HERE IS YOUR OWN NETWORK, KYCILIA.
IN THAT SENSE, WE COULD EVEN SAY
OF COURSE, WE ALSO OWE OUR VICTORY TO THE FALSE INTEL WE LEAKED TO REVIL.
UNTIL THE DAY OF OUR TRIUMPH, WE OF HOUSE ZABI MUST STAND TOGETHER
AND LEAD THE FIGHT
TO SET AN EXAMPLE FOR OUR COUNTRY-MEN!
NOW THAT IS UNEX-PECTED PRAISE,
AND FROM THE SUPREME COM-MANDER HIMSELF?
BUT BEAR IN MIND,
THIS VICTORY IS A PRE-LUDE.
IT'S ONLY THE FIRST STEP!
MAY I
ASK YOU ONE QUES-TION?
WHAT?

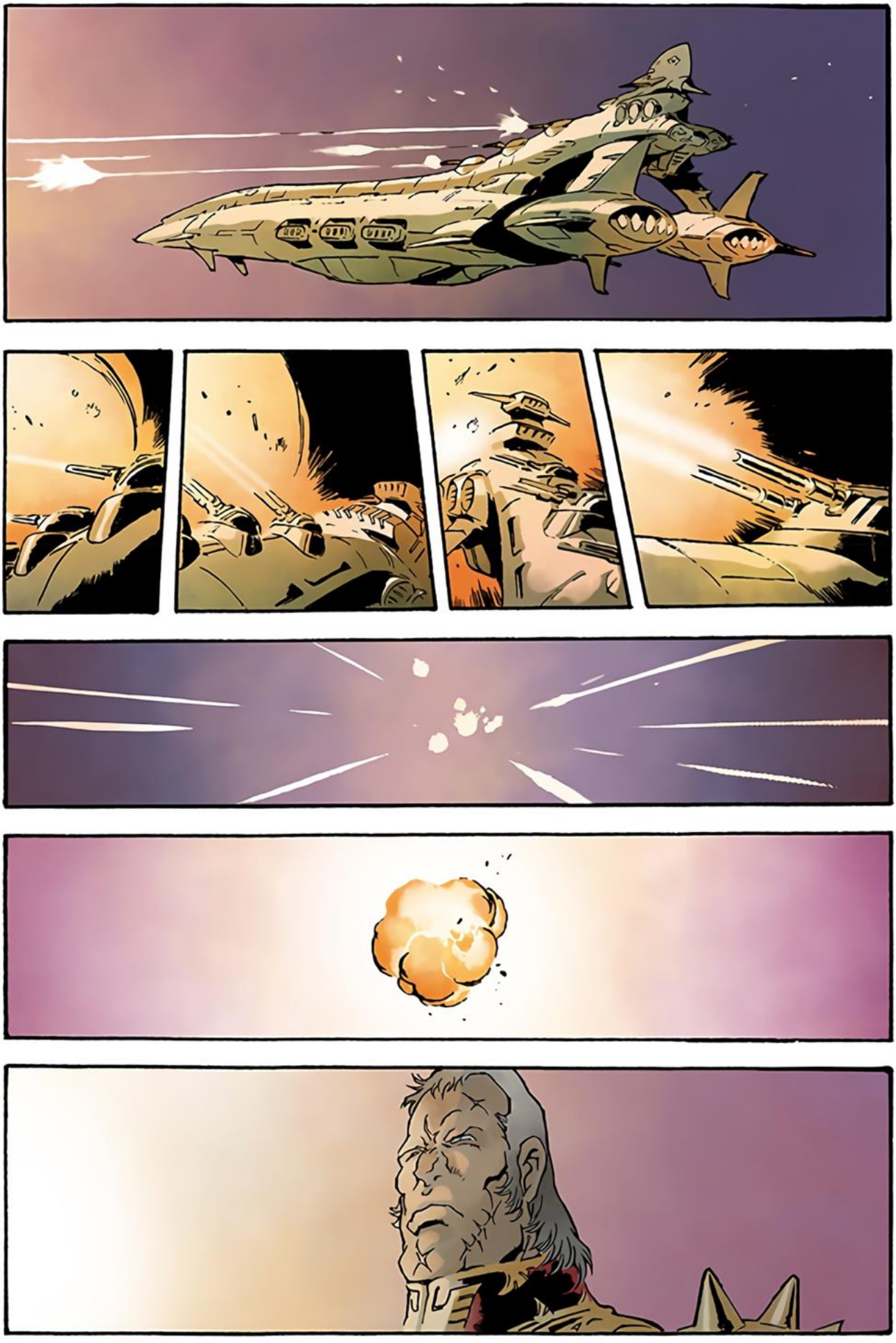

BUT —
HAVING RALLIED THE TROOPS WITH HIS PRESENCE, BEHOLDING OUR HISTORIC VICTORY UP CLOSE.
HE MUST BE QUITE GLAD
OUR FATHER WISHED IT!
DID YOU SEND IT THERE?
THE GWAZINE, BOARDED BY HIS GRACE HIMSELF, IS OUT FRONT ON ITS OWN.
THE ENEMY WERE TO STRIKE, BRACED FOR MUTUAL DESTRUCTION, DO YOU REALLY EXPECT HIS GRACE TO STOP THEM WITH A LONE GWAZINE?
IF
TIANEM'S FLEET IS HEADED THIS WAY, ALMOST TOTALLY UNSCATHED.
DO I REALLY NEED TO ANSWER THAT,
KYCILIA?
THOSE ROTTEN BUREAUCRATS THE FEDERATION CALLS A MILITARY WOULD NEVER BE SO BOLD.
AN IDLE CON-CERN.
IN THAT EVENT?
STILL,

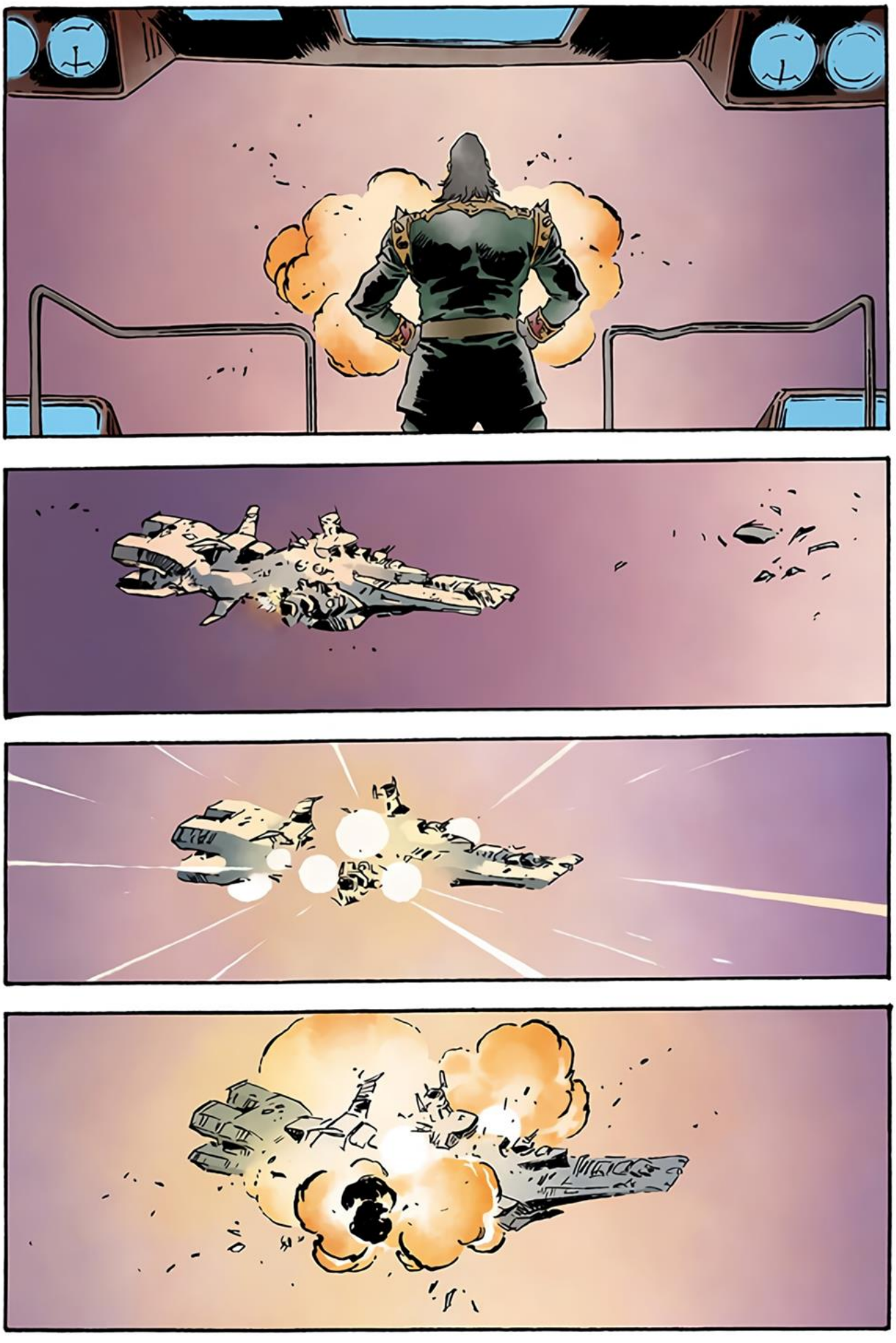
WHOA
!!


LT. CHAR, SIR!

HOW DOES HE
TAKE OUT A CRUIS-ER
WITH A SINGLE BA-ZOOKA SHELL ?

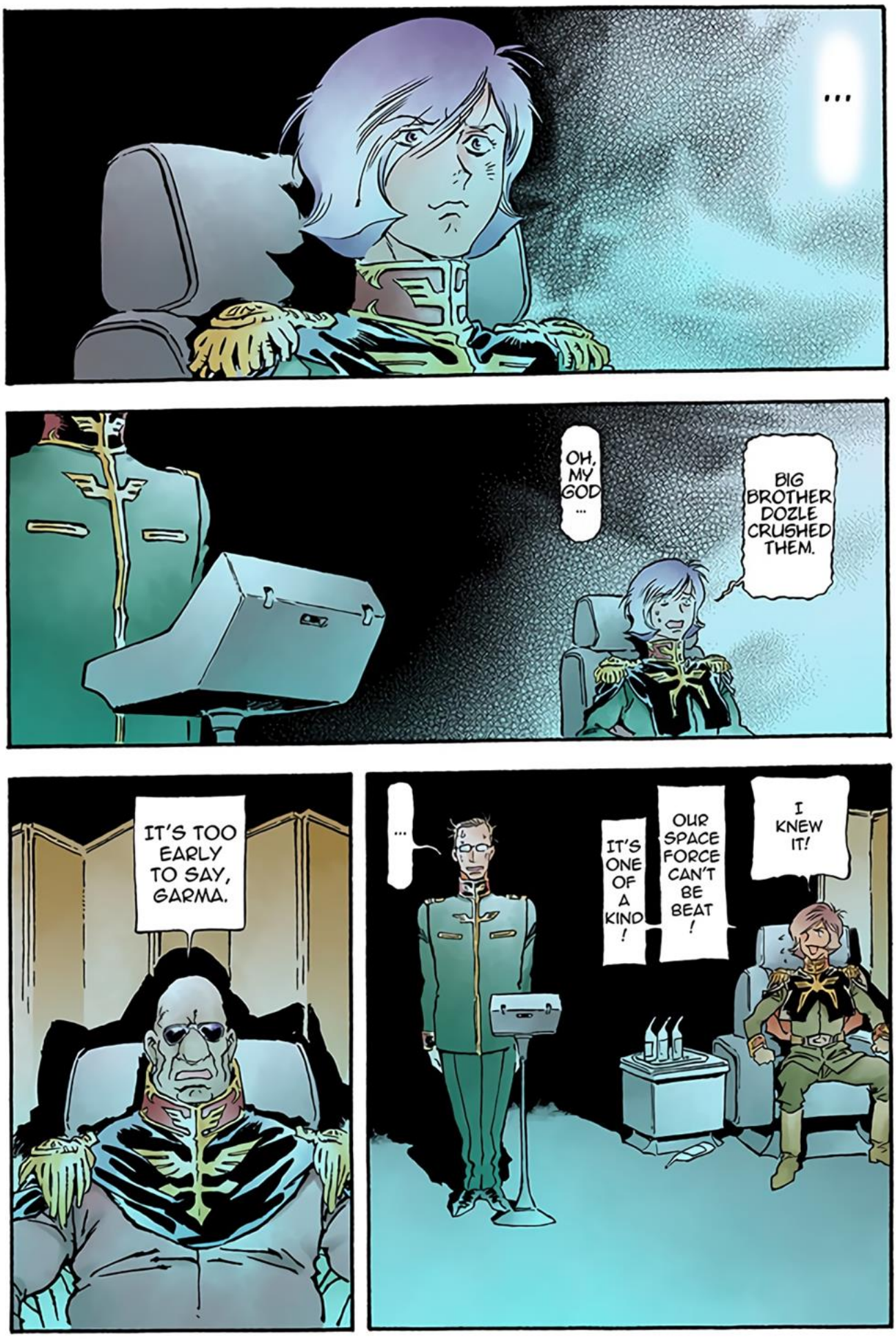

W.O. COZUN ?
WHO IS THAT ?
I HAVE SPARE ROUNDS !
CARE TO RELOAD, SIR?
DON'T YOU WANT ANY GLORY FOR YOURSELF?
DON'T WORRY ABOUT ME.
...
FIGHT FOR THE GOOD LIEU-TENANT WHO COULDN'T JOIN US.
ONE OF RAMBA RAL'S MEN, ARE YOU?

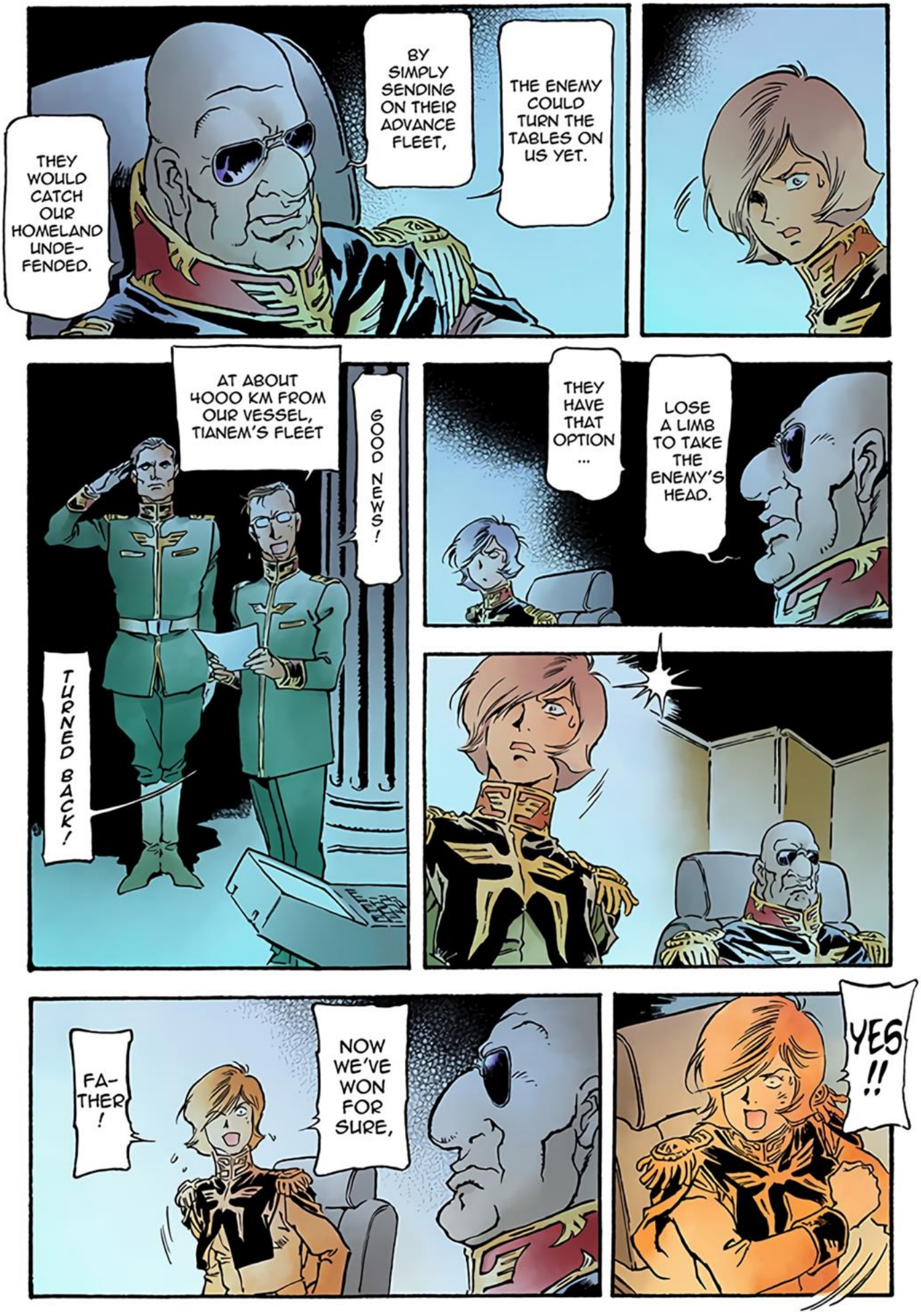




THIS IS THE FATE OF THE LOSER...
DON'T HATE ME...
FIRE!
CEASE

A MOMENT OF SILENCE!
LET US OBSERVE, FOR ALL THE WARRIORS OF THE GRAND COSMOS WHO ARE GOING INTO THE NIGHT,


...
OH, MY GOD ...
BIG BROTHER DOZLE CRUSHED THEM.
IT'S TOO EARLY TO SAY, GARMA.
...
IT'S ONE OF A KIND!
OUR SPACE FORCE CAN'T BE BEAT!
I KNEW IT!


THEY WOULD CATCH OUR HOMELAND UNDE-FENDED.
BY SIMPLY SENDING ON THEIR ADVANCE FLEET,
THE ENEMY COULD TURN THE TABLES ON US YET.
AT ABOUT 4000 KM FROM OUR VESSEL, TIANEM'S FLEET
GOOD NEWS!
TURNED BACK!
THEY HAVE THAT OPTION ...
LOSE A LIMB TO TAKE THE ENEMY'S HEAD.
FA-THER!
NOW WE'VE WON FOR SURE,
YES!!

NO MATTER WHAT!
YOU CAN GIVE ME ANY ORDER, FATHER! I'LL CARRY IT OUT,
I, TOO, AM A SOLDIER OF ZEON!
NEXT TIME, I'LL MAKE MYSELF USEFUL!
GARMA!!
HE'LL KNOW WHERE TO PUT YOU.
GIHREN IS THE LEADER OF OUR ARMED FORCES. AWAIT HIS DIRECTIVE.
YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND WHAT A TERRIBLE THING WAR IS.
NO ... A CHILD.
YOU'RE STILL YOUNG.
...

HURAAH

THINK TWICE, ABOVE ALL DON'T BE RASH.
YOU HEAR ME?

SEND WORD TO DOZLE AT THE FRONT!
THE CAPTIVE GENERAL REVIL
IS TO BE TREATED WITH EVERY COURTESY!

ZEON
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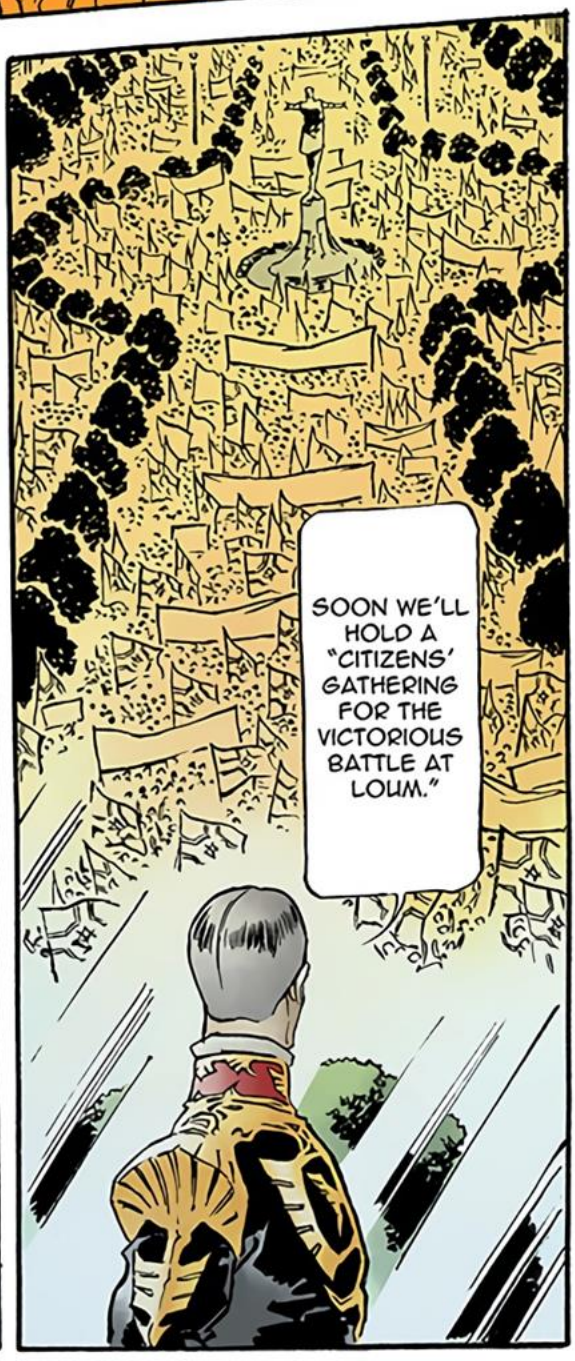
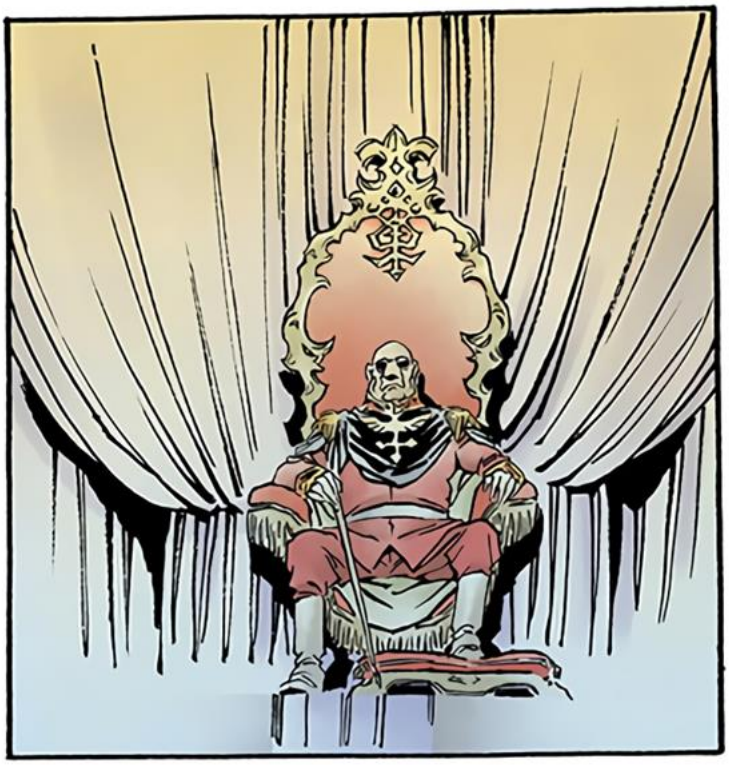
THE NATION WILL NEED TO HEAR A STATEMENT FROM THEIR SOVEREIGN.
PRAY KEEP IT IN MIND.

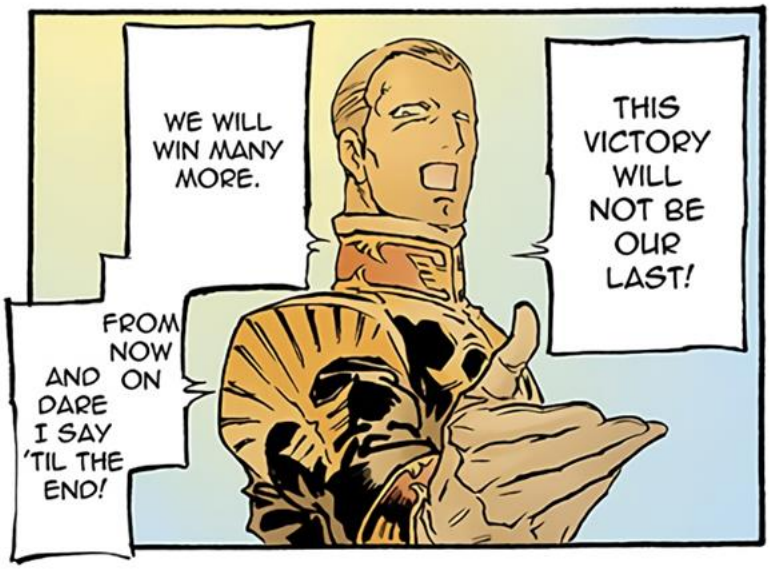

SOON WE'LL HOLD A "CITIZENS' GATHERING FOR THE VICTORIOUS BATTLE AT LOUM."



GIHREN.
KNOWING WHEN TO COLLECT IS JUST AS IMPORTANT AS WINNING.
HISTORY IS FULL OF EXAMPLES OF THOSE WHO NEGLECTED THIS AND WHO LOST NOT ONLY THE FRUITS OF THEIR VICTORY, BUT EVERYTHING.

A SWIFT PEACE.
THAT IS WHAT WE MUST PURSUE.
USING THIS VICTORY AS LEVERAGE TO BRING THE FEDERATION TO THE NEGOTIATING TABLE IS THE WISE THING TO DO, NO?

FATHER, WHY ARE YOU BEING TIMID?
ALL TOO TIM-ID.


THIS VICTORY WILL NOT BE OUR LAST!
WE WILL WIN MANY MORE.
FROM NOW ON AND DARE I SAY 'TIL THE END!

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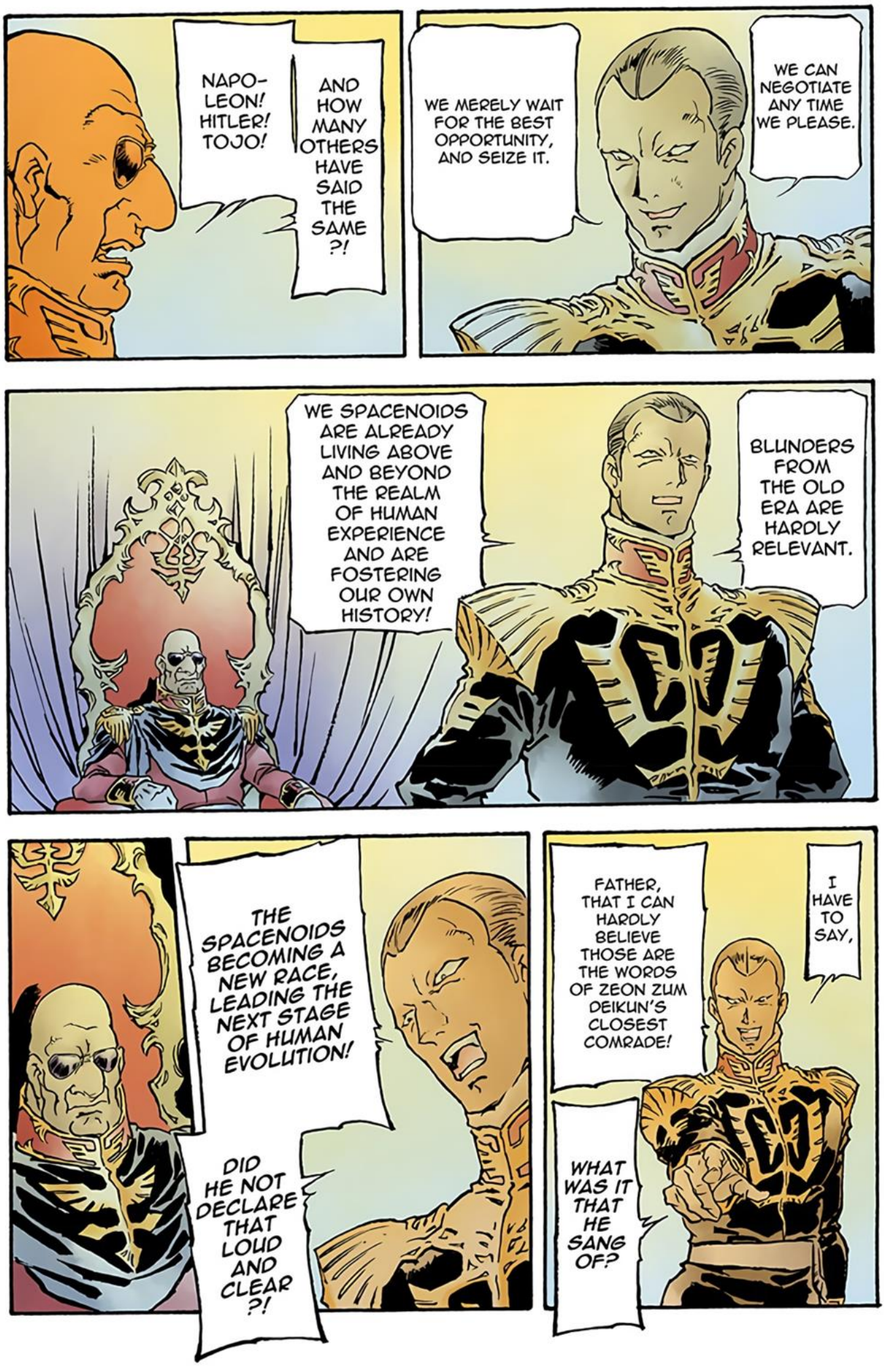
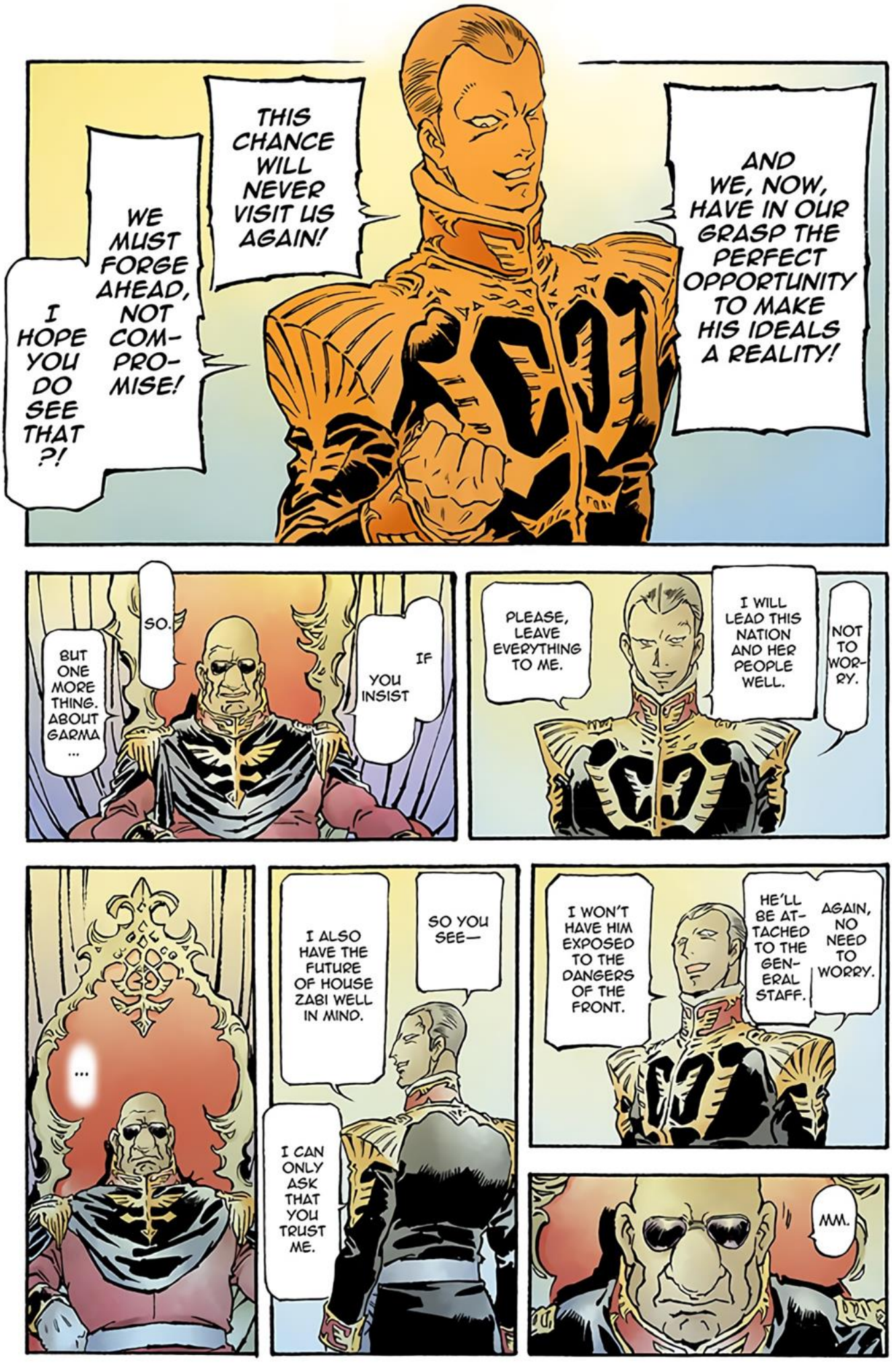

NAPO-LEON! HITLER! TOJO!
AND HOW MANY OTHERS HAVE SAID THE SAME ?!
WE MERELY WAIT FOR THE BEST OPPORTUNITY, AND SEIZE IT.
WE CAN NEGOTIATE ANY TIME WE PLEASE.
WE SPACENOIDS ARE ALREADY LIVING ABOVE AND BEYOND THE REALM OF HUMAN EXPERIENCE AND ARE FOSTERING OUR OWN HISTORY!
BLUNDERS FROM THE OLD ERA ARE HARDLY RELEVANT.
THE SPACENOIDS BECOMING A NEW RACE, LEADING THE NEXT STAGE OF HUMAN EVOLUTION!
DID HE NOT DECLARE THAT LOUD AND CLEAR ?!
FATHER, THAT I CAN HARDLY BELIEVE THOSE ARE THE WORDS OF ZEON ZUM DEIKUN'S CLOSEST COMRADE!
I HAVE TO SAY,
WHAT WAS IT THAT HE SANG OF?


AND WE, NOW, HAVE IN OUR GRASP THE PERFECT OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE HIS IDEALS A REALITY!
THIS CHANCE WILL NEVER VISIT US AGAIN!
WE MUST FORGE AHEAD, NOT COM-PRO-MISE!
I HOPE YOU DO SEE THAT ?!
NOT TO WOR-RY.
I WILL LEAD THIS NATION AND HER PEOPLE WELL.
PLEASE, LEAVE EVERYTHING TO ME.
IF YOU INSIST
SO.
BUT ONE MORE THING. ABOUT GARMA ...
AGAIN, NO NEED TO WORRY.
HE'LL BE AT-TACHED TO THE GEN-ERAL STAFF.
I WON'T HAVE HIM EXPOSED TO THE DANGERS OF THE FRONT.
MM.
SO YOU SEE—
I ALSO HAVE THE FUTURE OF HOUSE ZABI WELL IN MIND.
I CAN ONLY ASK THAT YOU TRUST ME.
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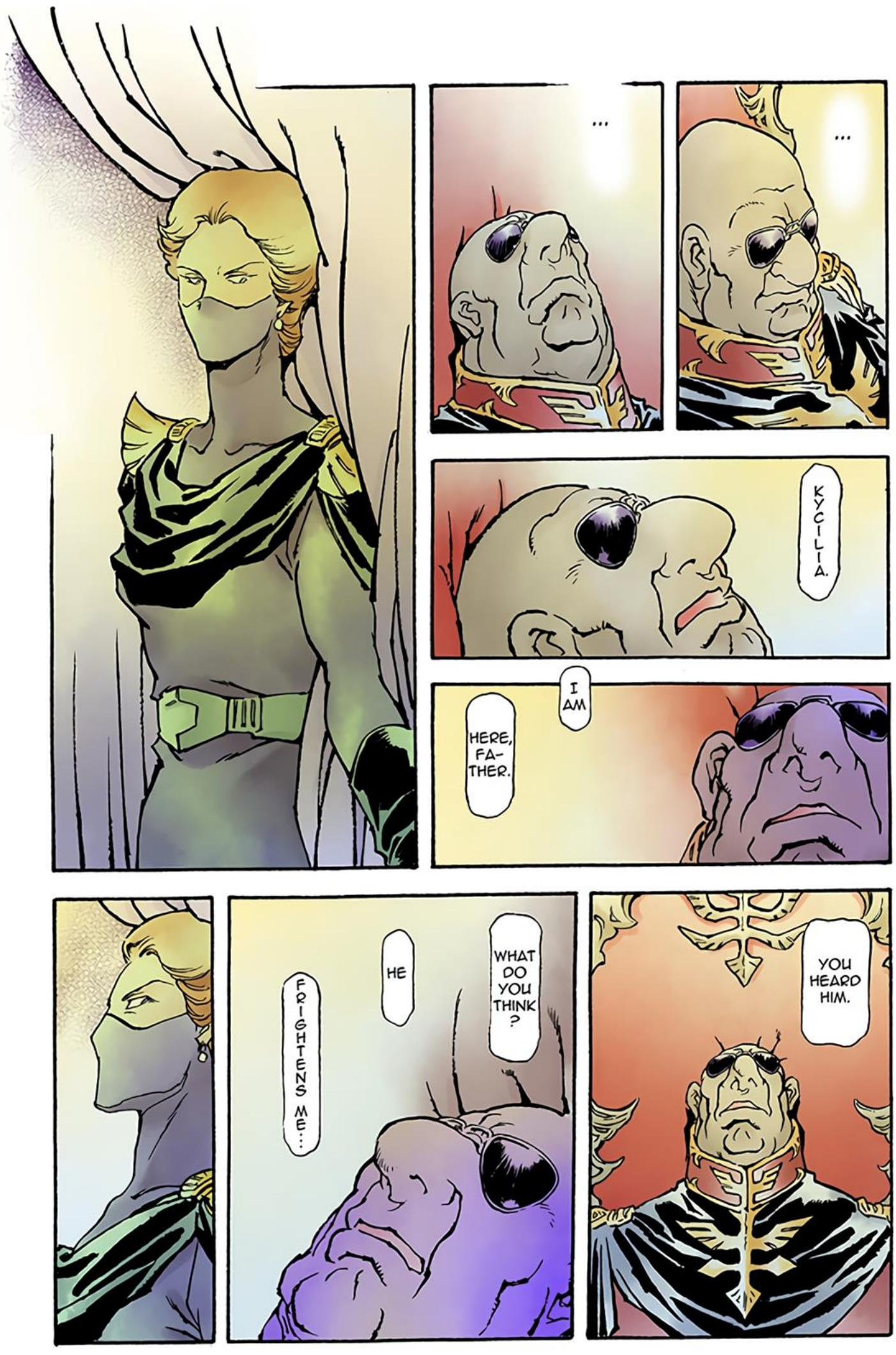
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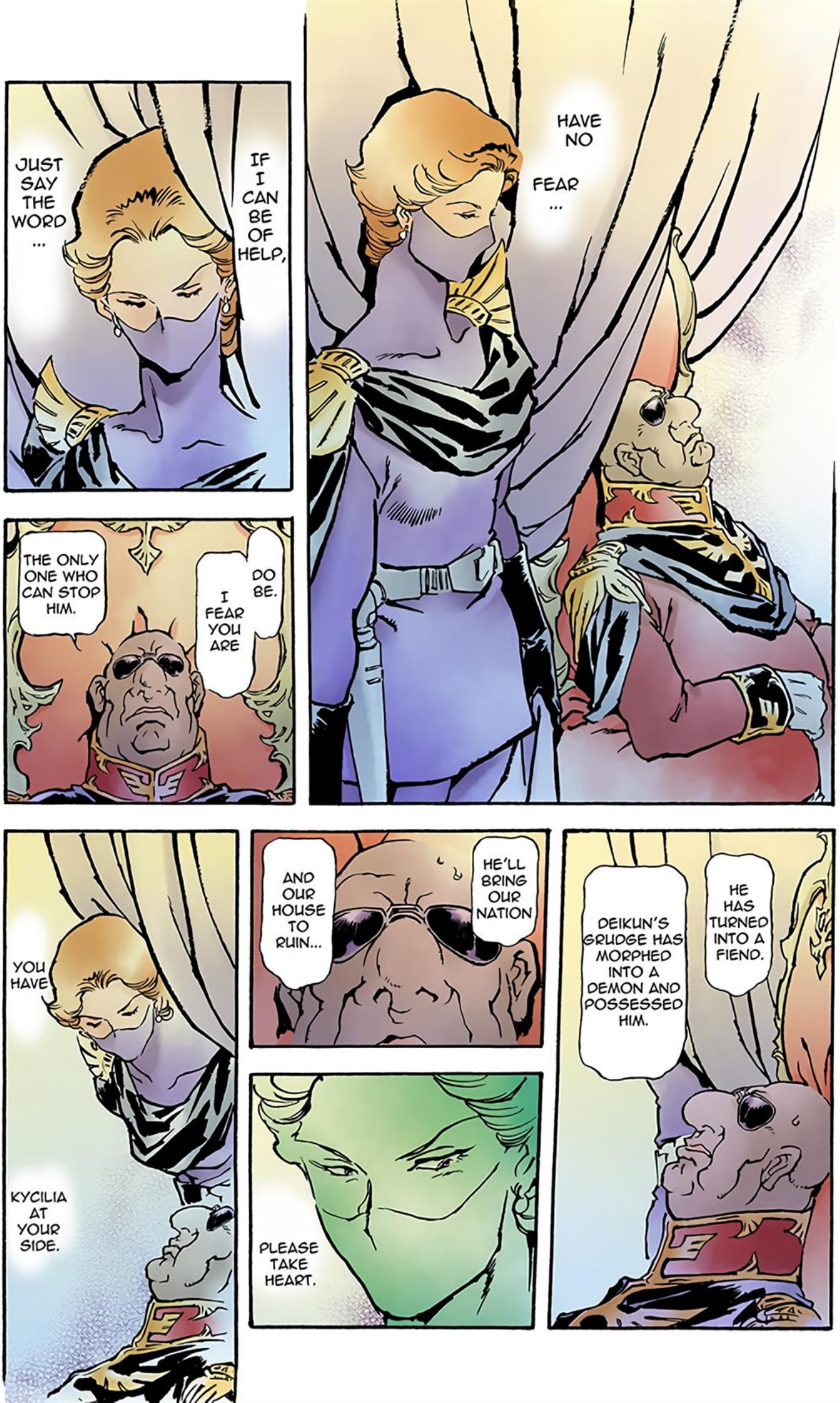
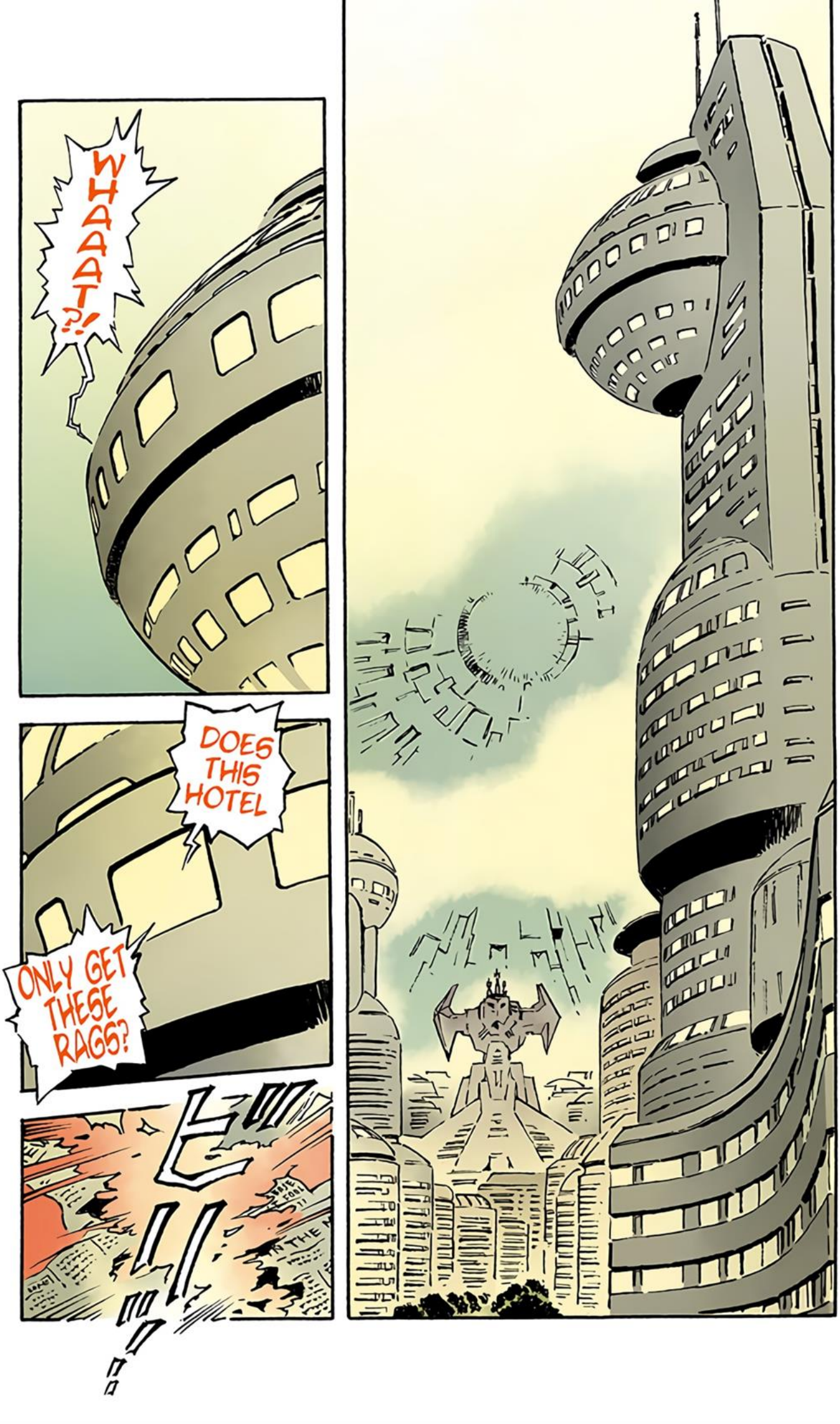
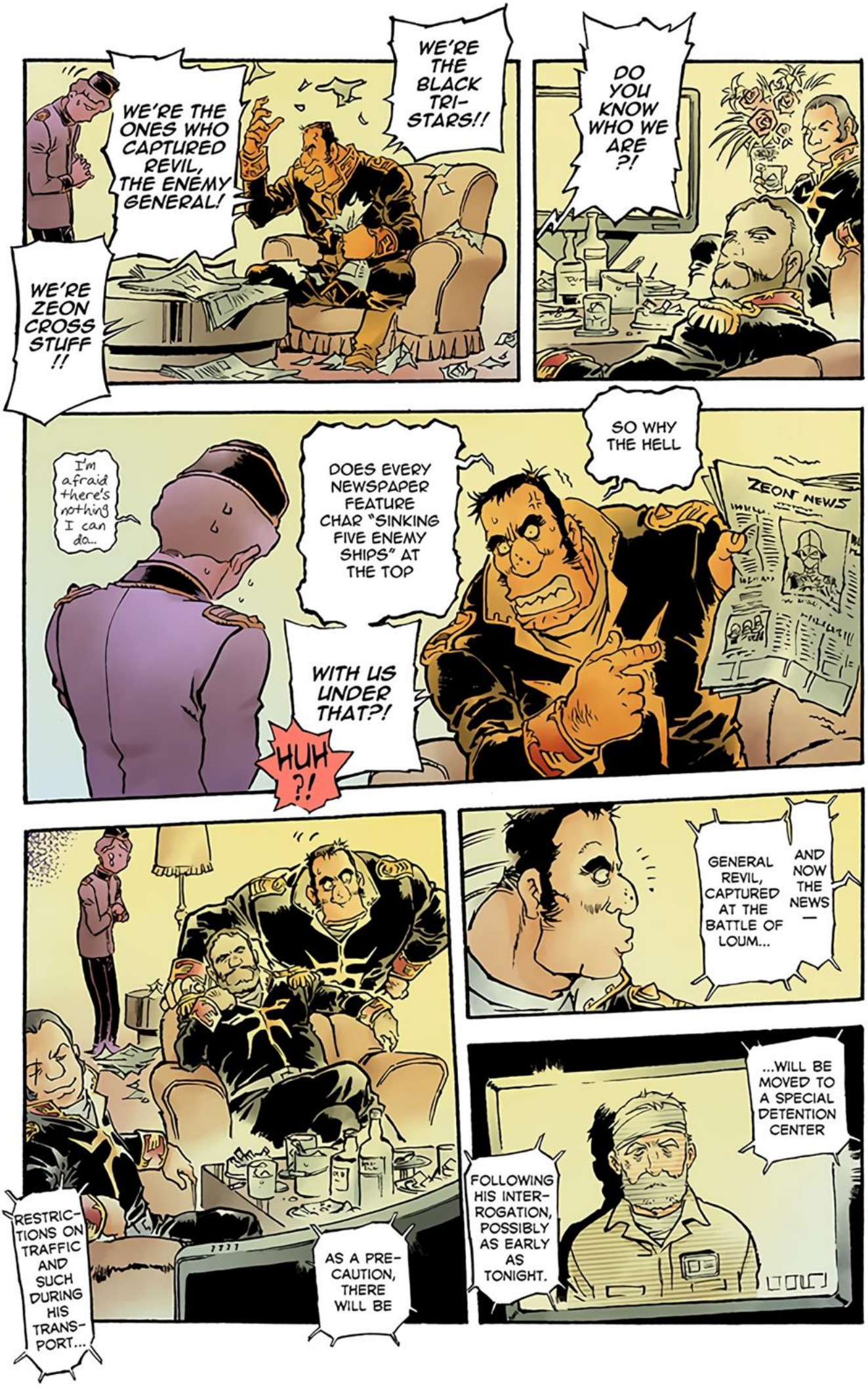
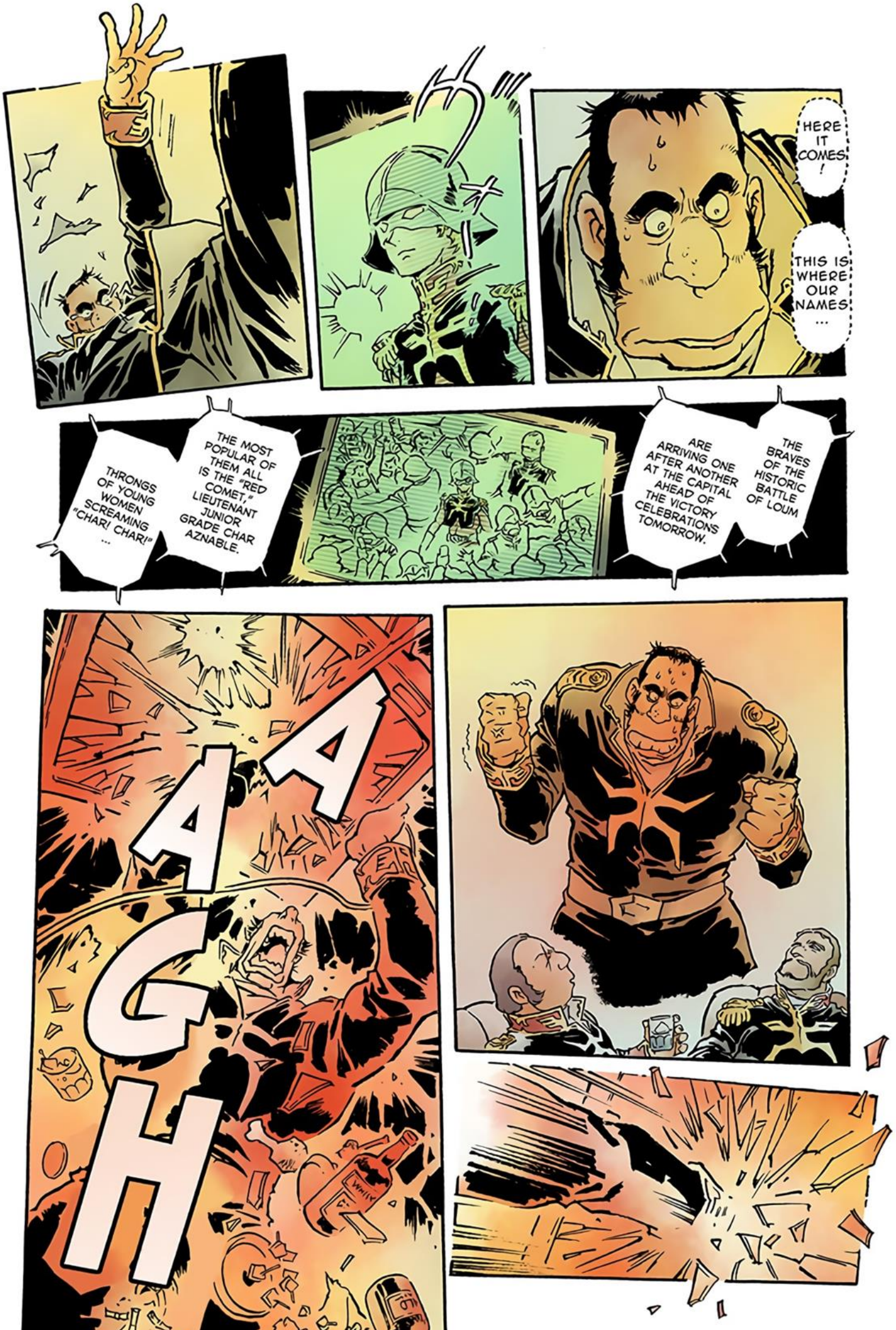
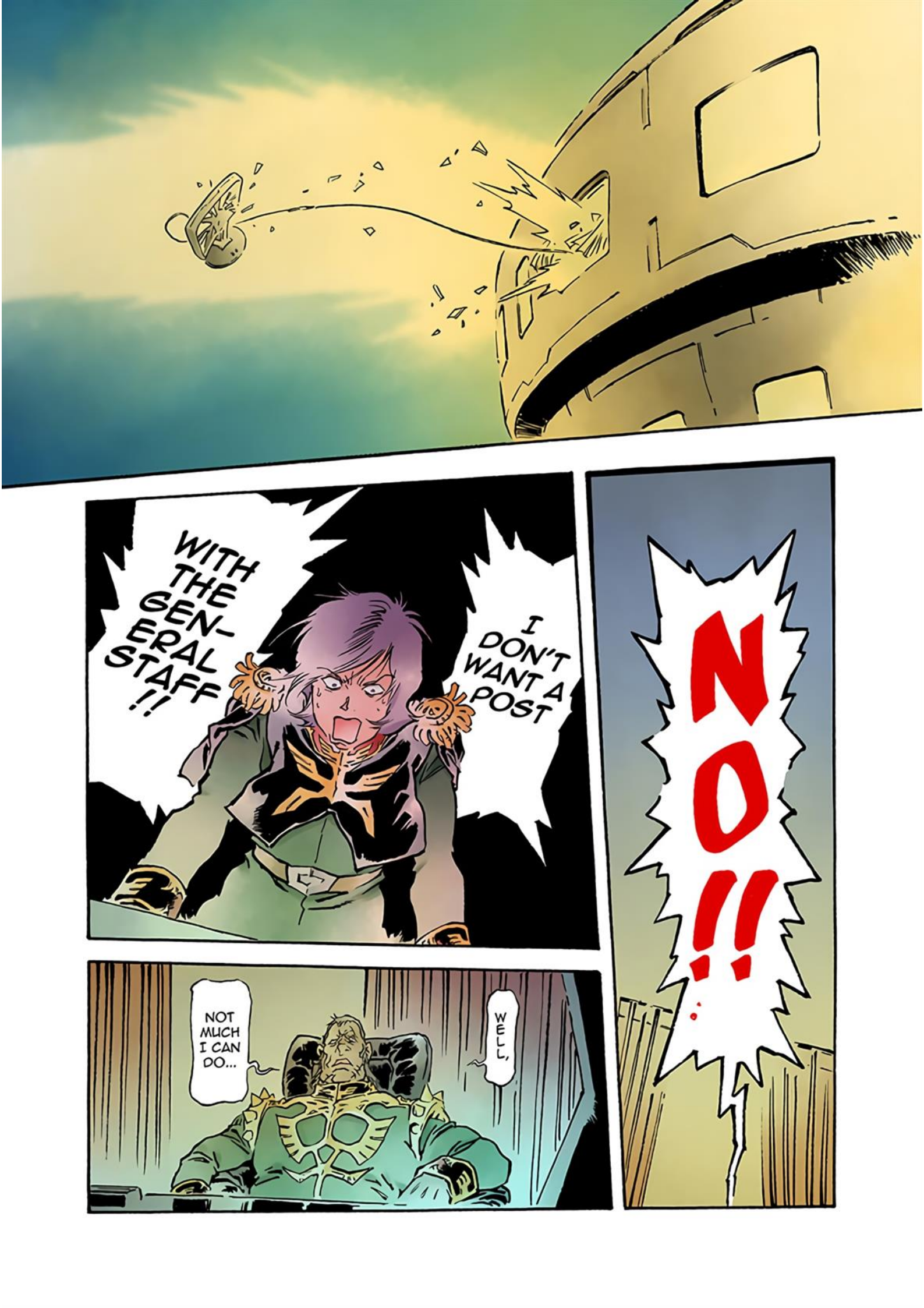
KYCILIA.
I AM HERE, FA-THER.
YOU HEARD HIM.
WHAT DO YOU THINK?
HE FRIGHTENS ME...

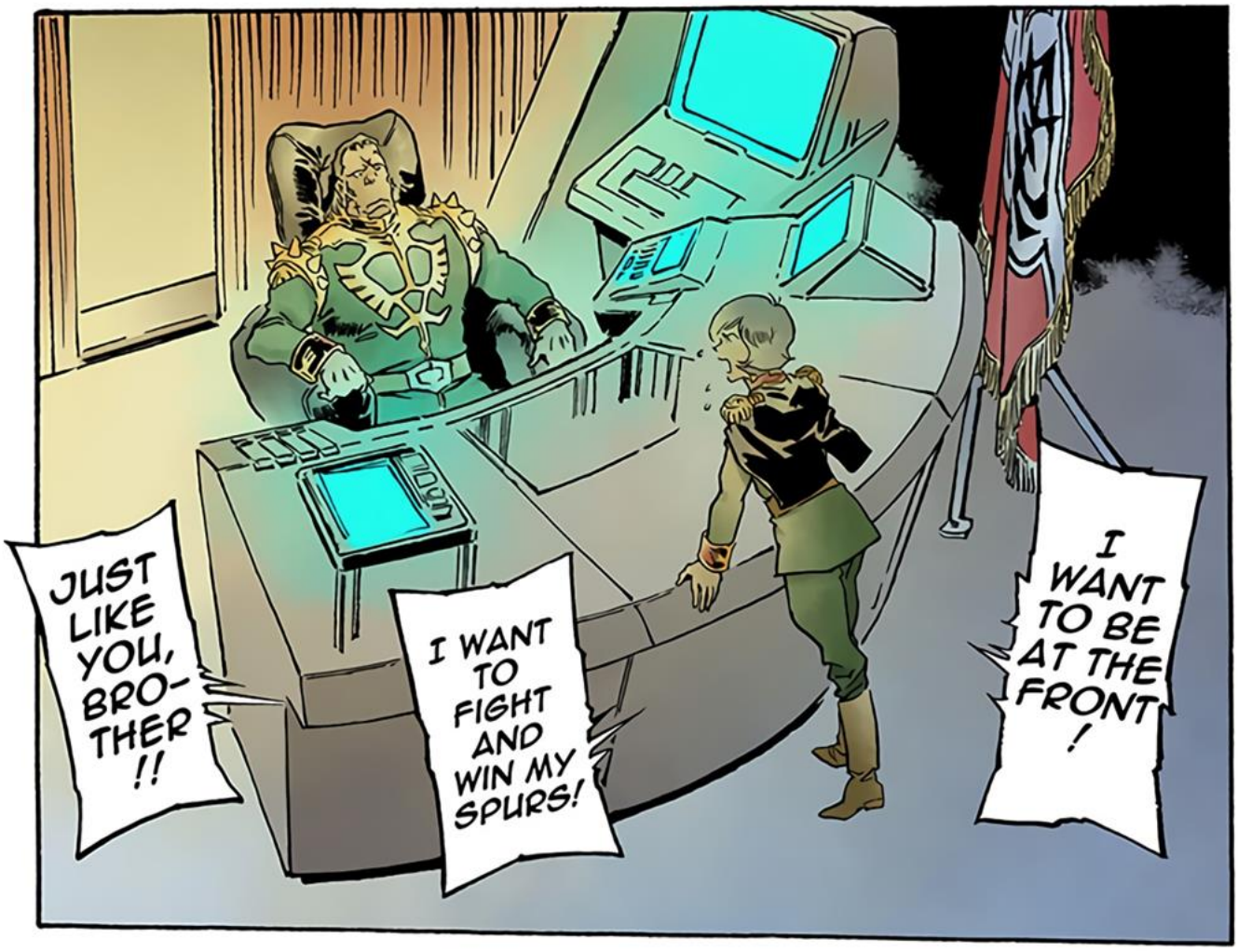

HAVE NO FEAR ...
IF I CAN BE OF HELP,
JUST SAY THE WORD ...
DO BE.
I FEAR YOU ARE
THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN STOP HIM.
HE HAS TURNED INTO A FIEND.
DEIKUN'S GRUDGE HAS MORPHED INTO A DEMON AND POSSESSED HIM.
HE'LL BRING OUR NATION
AND OUR HOUSE TO RUIN...
PLEASE TAKE HEART.
YOU HAVE
KYCILIA AT YOUR SIDE.


WHAAT?!
DOES THIS HOTEL
ONLY GET THESE RAGS?


WE'RE THE BLACK TRI-STARS!!
WE'RE THE ONES WHO CAPTURED REVIL, THE ENEMY GENERAL!
WE'RE ZEON CROSS STUFF !!
DO YOU KNOW WHO WE ARE ?!
SO WHY THE HELL
ZEON NEWS
DOES EVERY NEWSPAPER FEATURE CHAR "SINKING FIVE ENEMY SHIPS" AT THE TOP
I'm afraid there's nothing I can do...
WITH US UNDER THAT?!
HUH ?!
AND NOW THE NEWS —
GENERAL REVIL, CAPTURED AT THE BATTLE OF LOUM...
RESTRIC-TIONS ON TRAFFIC AND SUCH DURING HIS TRANS-PORT...
AS A PRE-CAUTION, THERE WILL BE
FOLLOWING HIS INTER-ROGATION, POSSIBLY AS EARLY AS TONIGHT.
...WILL BE MOVED TO A SPECIAL DETENTION CENTER

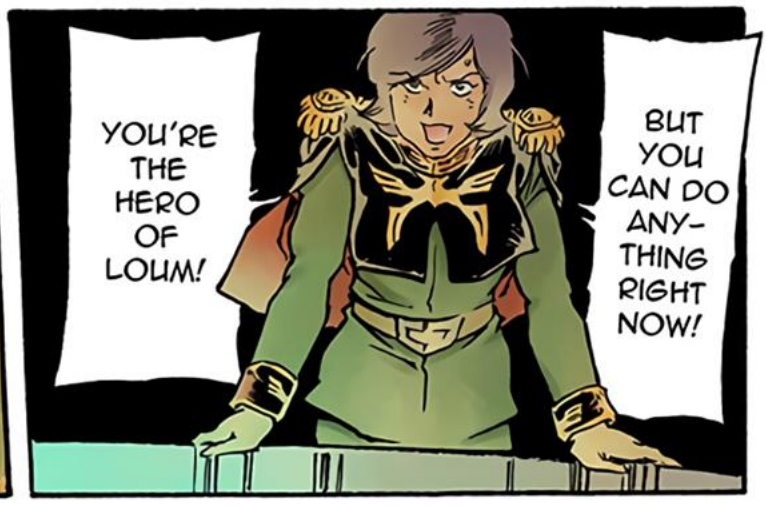

HERE IT COMES!
THIS IS WHERE OUR NAMES ...
THE BRAVES OF THE HISTORIC BATTLE OF LOUM
ARE ARRIVING ONE AFTER ANOTHER AT THE CAPITAL AHEAD OF THE VICTORY CELEBRATIONS TOMORROW.
THE MOST POPULAR OF THEM ALL IS THE "RED COMET," LIEUTENANT JUNIOR GRADE CHAR AZNABLE.
THRONGS OF YOUNG WOMEN SCREAMING "CHAR! CHAR!" ...
AAGH

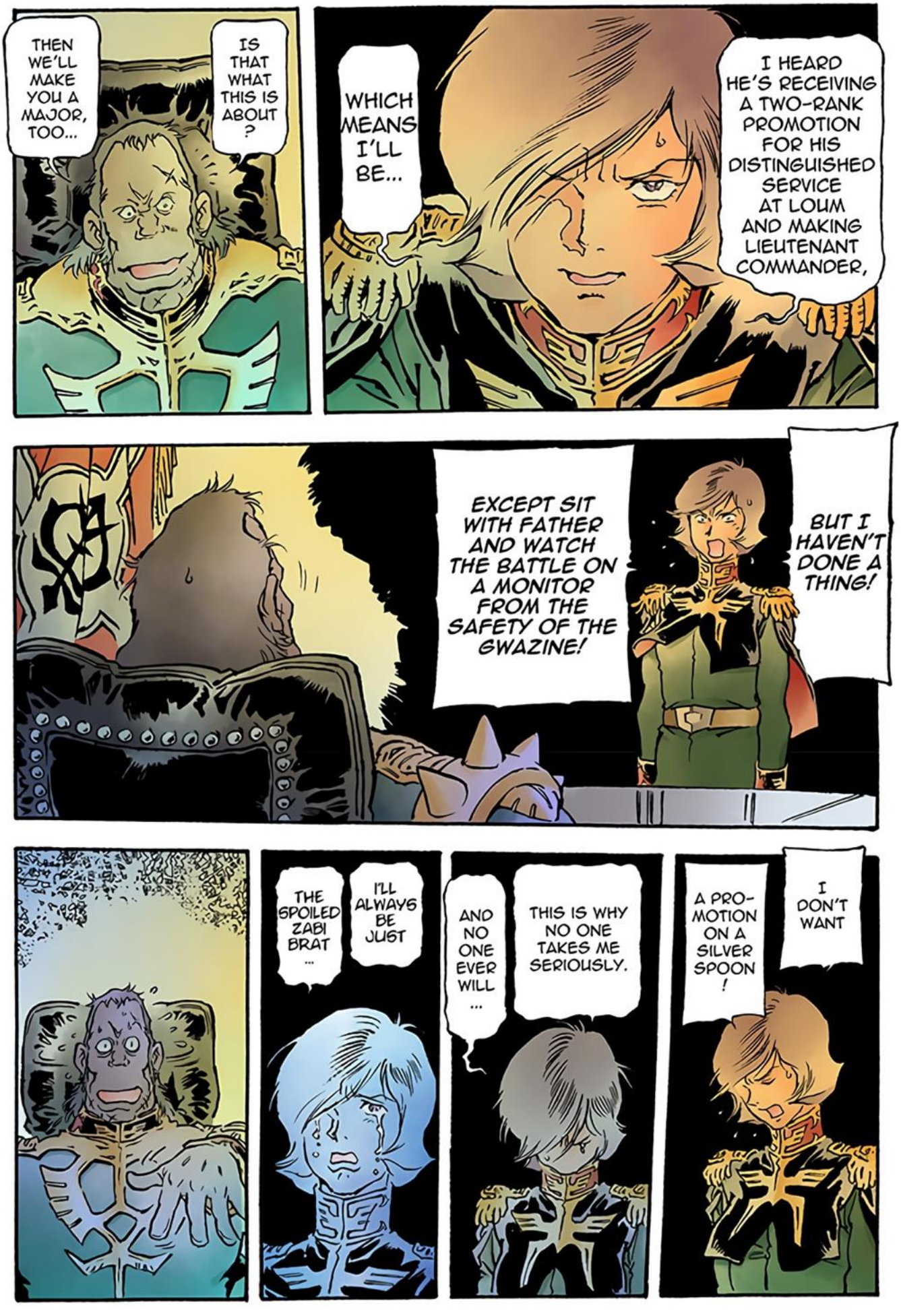

NO!!
I DON'T WANT A POST
WITH THE GEN-ERAL STAFF!!
WELL,
NOT MUCH I CAN DO...


JUST LIKE YOU, BRO-THER !!
I WANT TO FIGHT AND WIN MY SPURS!
I WANT TO BE AT THE FRONT!

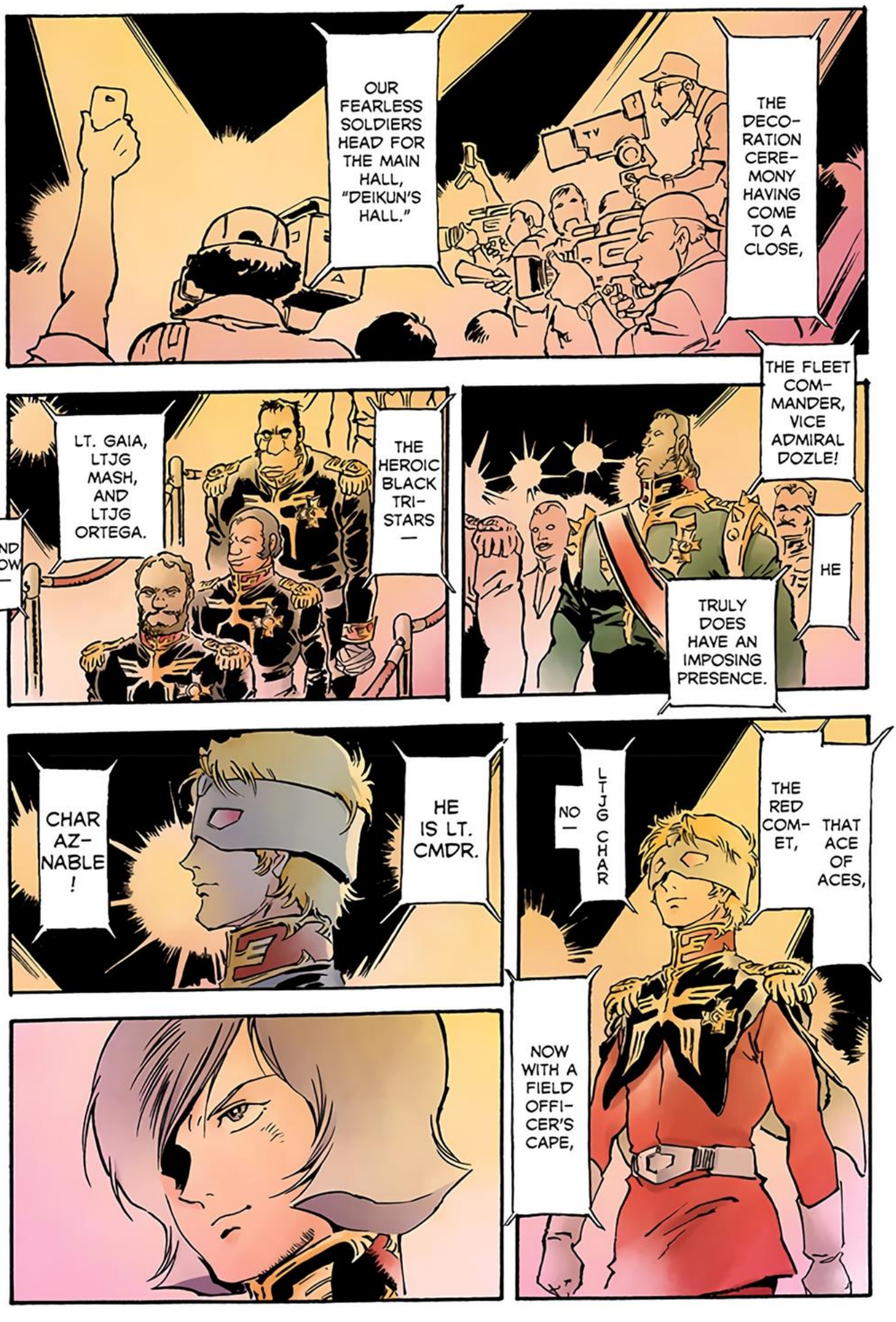
I CAN'T LOSE TO CHAR!

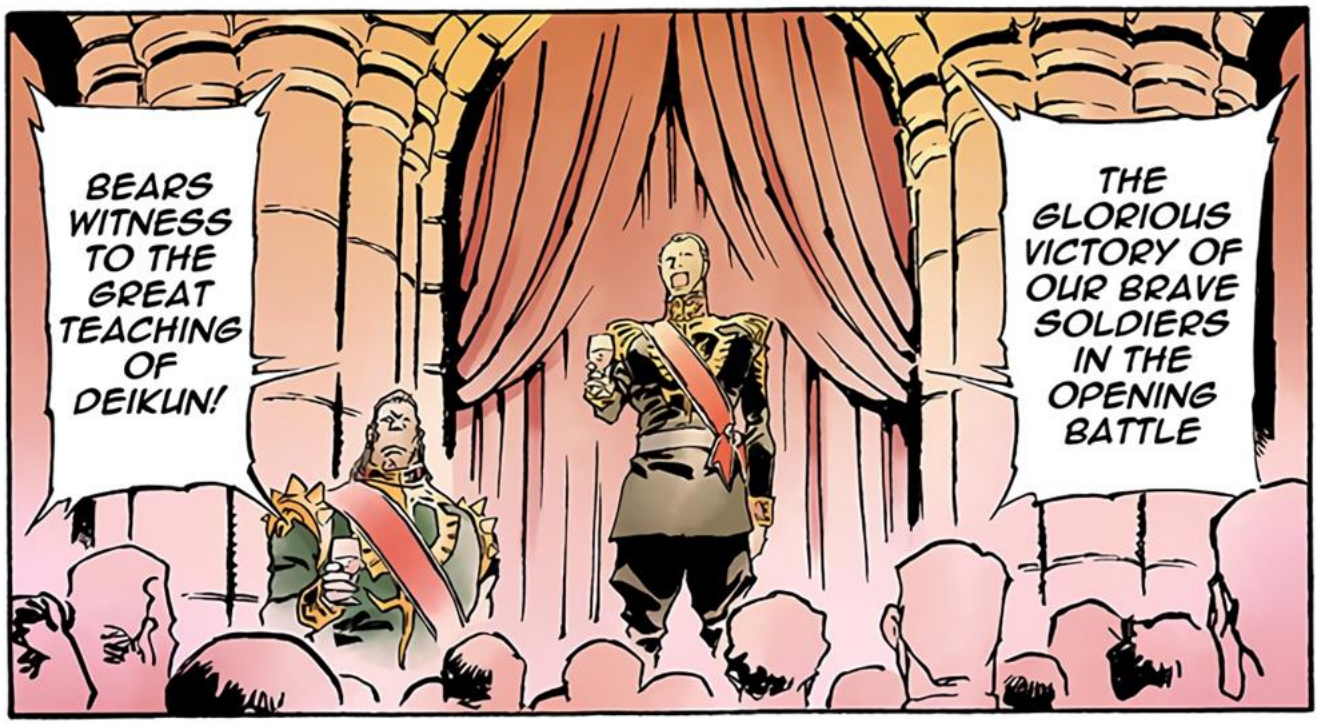
I CAN'T JUST ...
BUT IT'S WHAT OUR OLD MAN WANTS, AND WHAT GIHREN DECIDED.


YOU'RE THE HERO OF LOUM!
BUT YOU CAN DO ANY-THING RIGHT NOW!


I HEARD HE'S RECEIVING A TWO-RANK PROMOTION FOR HIS DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AT LOUM AND MAKING LIEUTENANT COMMANDER,
WHICH MEANS I'LL BE...
IS THAT WHAT THIS IS ABOUT?
THEN WE'LL MAKE YOU A MAJOR, TOO...
BUT I HAVEN'T DONE A THING!
EXCEPT SIT WITH FATHER AND WATCH THE BATTLE ON A MONITOR FROM THE SAFETY OF THE GWAZINE!
I DON'T WANT A PRO-MOTION ON A SILVER SPOON!
THIS IS WHY NO ONE TAKES ME SERIOUSLY.
AND NO ONE EVER WILL...
I'LL ALWAYS BE JUST THE SPOILED ZABI BRAT...

I DON'T KNOW WHAT WILL COME OF IT ...
I'LL TALK TO BIG BRO GIHREN ABOUT IT.
GOT IT ...

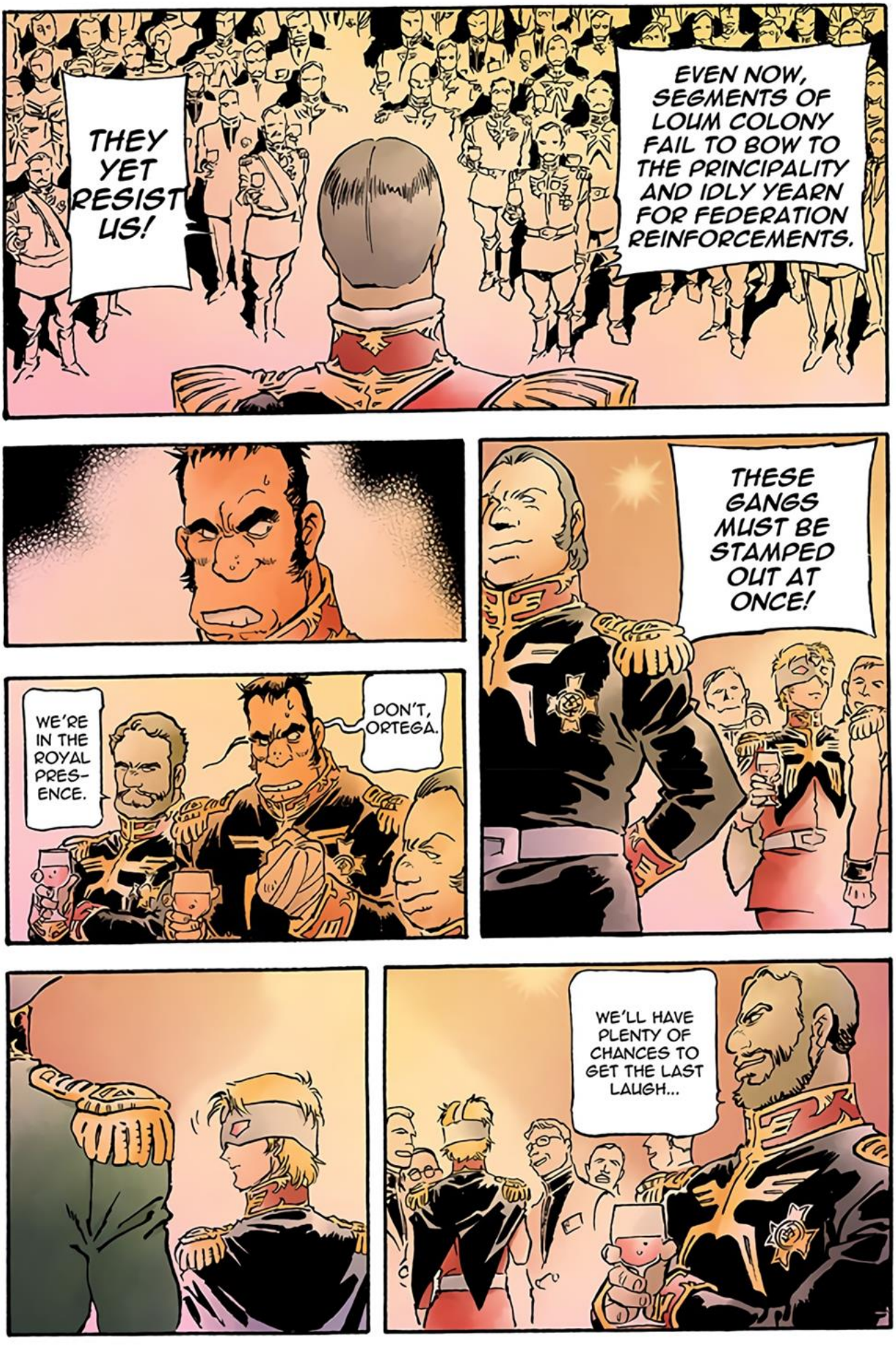

THE DECO-RATION CERE-MONY HAVING COME TO A CLOSE,
OUR FEARLESS SOLDIERS HEAD FOR THE MAIN HALL, "DEIKUN'S HALL."
TV
THE FLEET COM-MANDER, VICE ADMIRAL DOZLE!
HE TRULY DOES HAVE AN IMPOSING PRESENCE.
THE HEROIC BLACK TRI-STARS —
LT. GAIA, LTJG MASH, AND LTJG ORTEGA.
AND NOW —
THAT ACE OF ACES, THE RED COM-ET,
NO — LTJG CHAR
NOW WITH A FIELD OFFI-CER'S CAPE,
HE IS LT. CMDR.
CHAR AZ-NABLE!

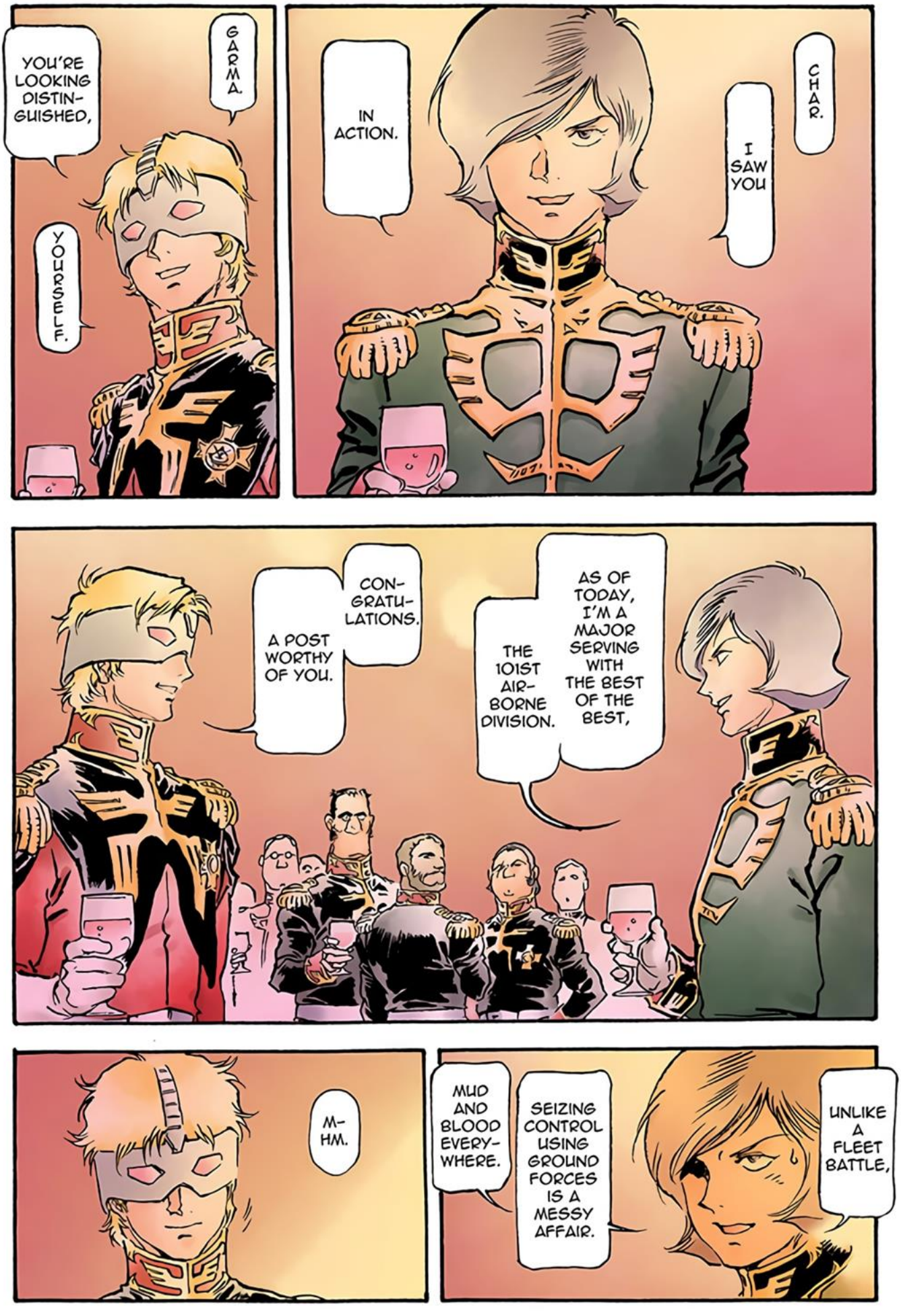

BEARS WITNESS TO THE GREAT TEACHING OF DEIKUN!
THE GLORIOUS VICTORY OF OUR BRAVE SOLDIERS IN THE OPENING BATTLE

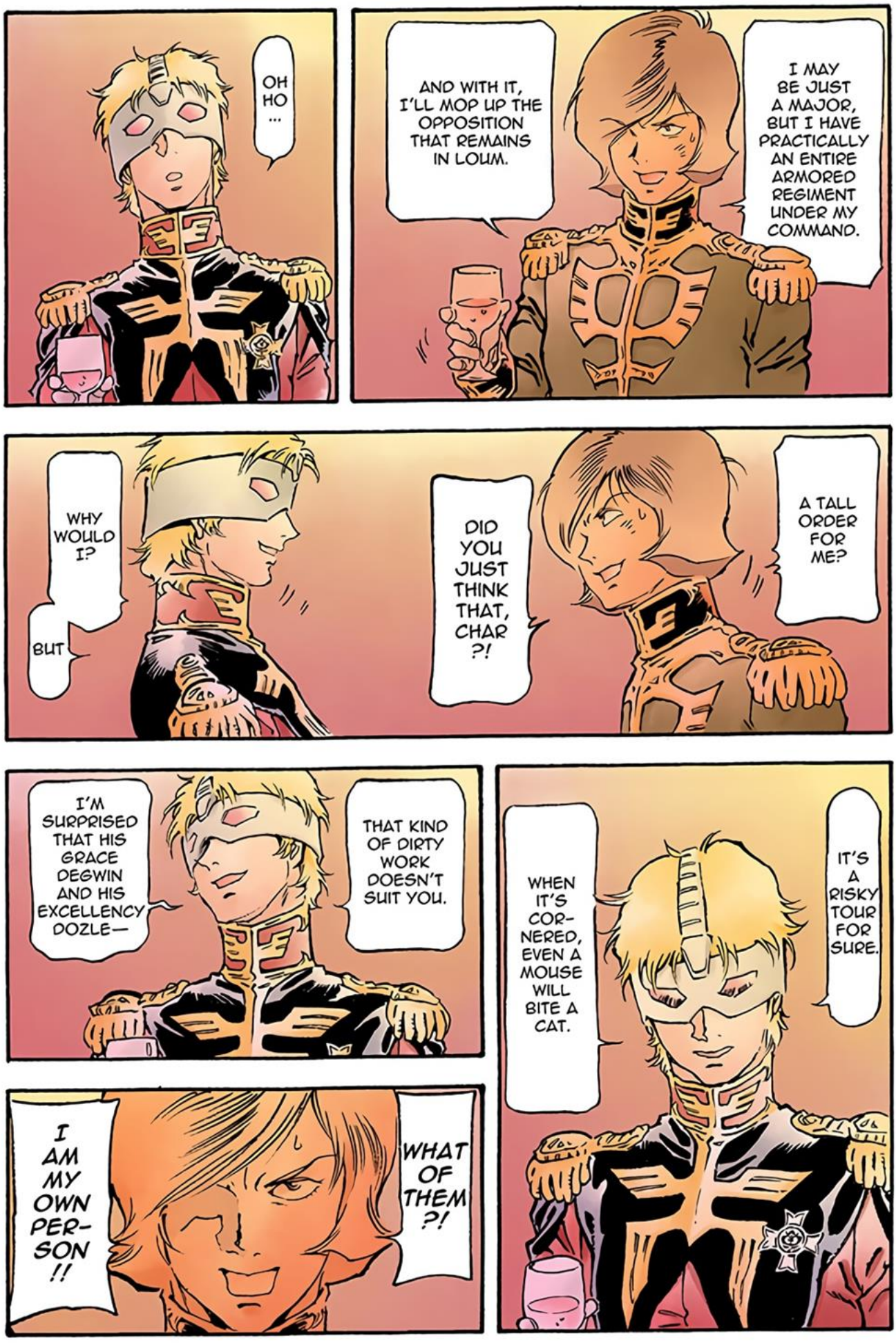
OVER ALL !!
THE TEACHING THAT THE SPACE-NOIDS WILL REIGN

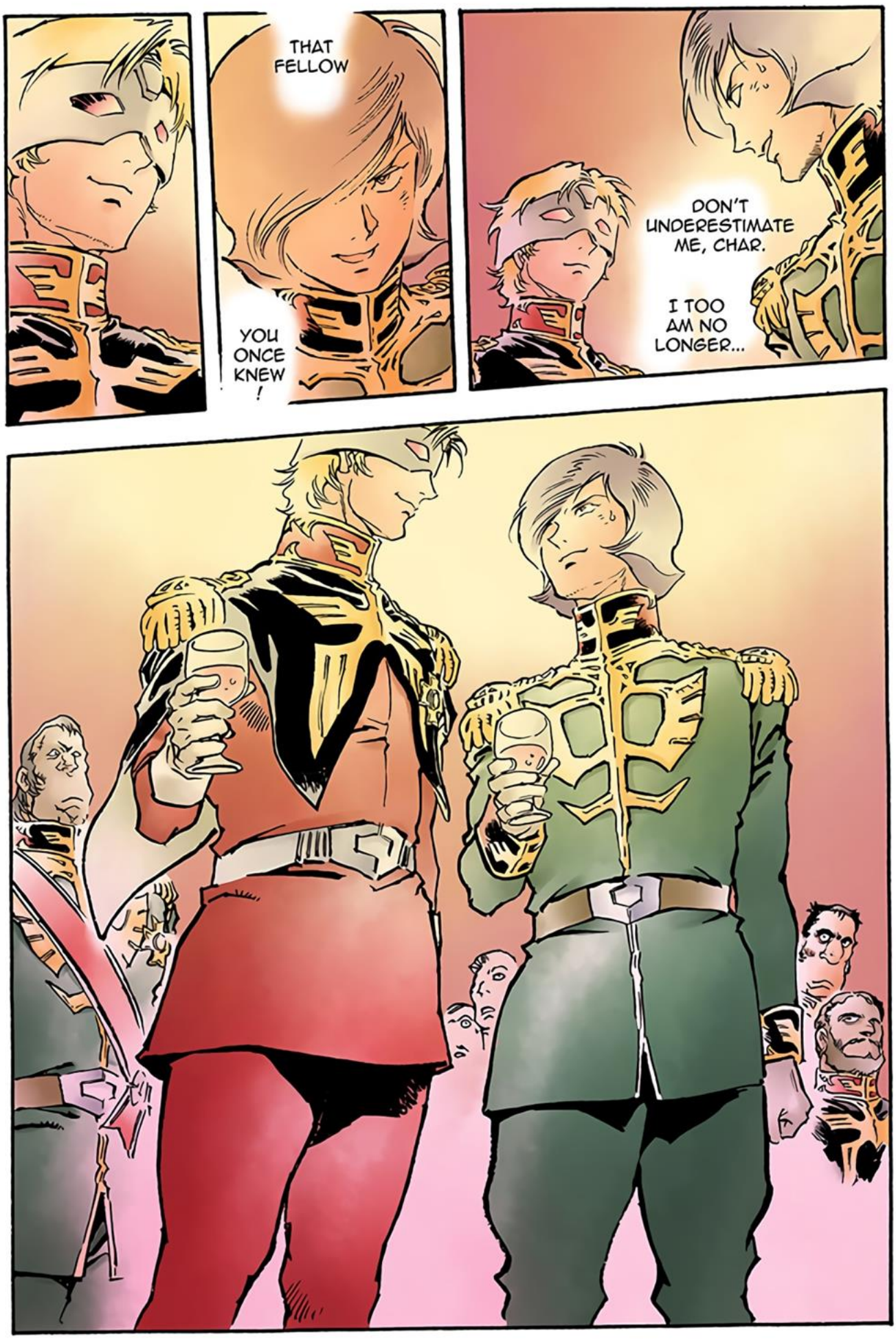
HAS ONLY JUST BEGUN.
THE WAR
BUT, MY FRIENDS, LET US NOT GROW LAX.

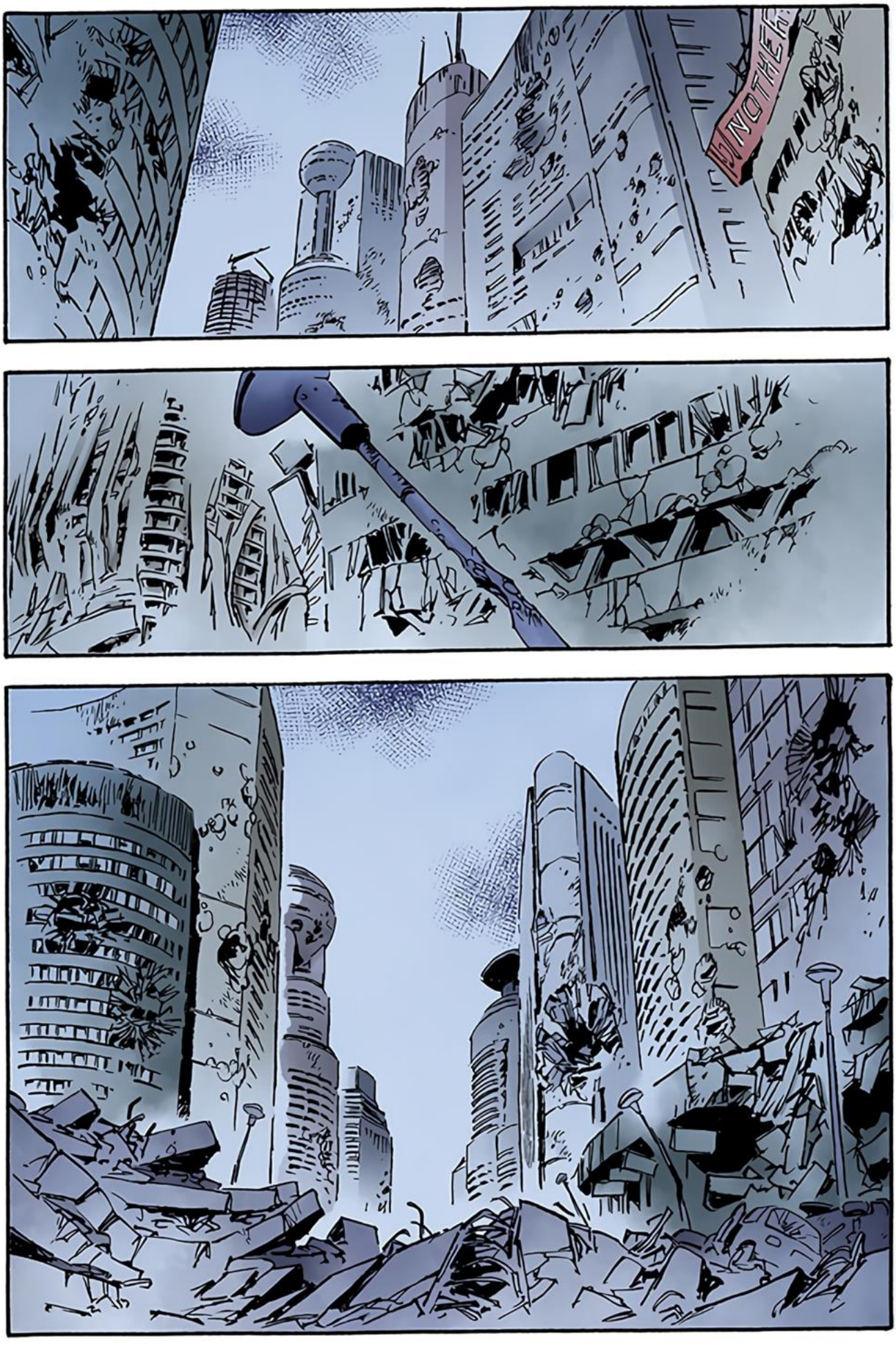
HEAR
HEAR

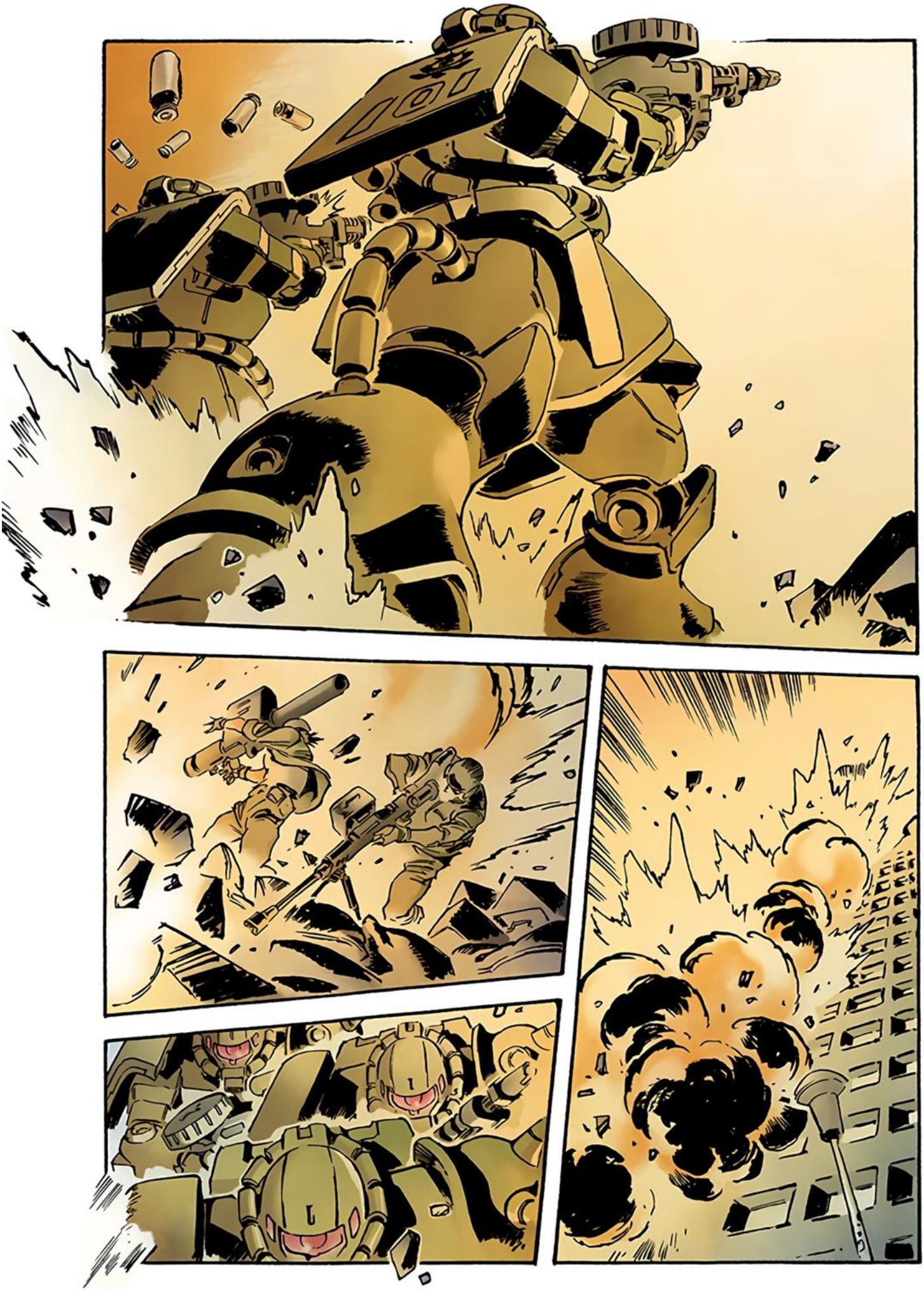

THEY YET RESIST US!
EVEN NOW, SEGMENTS OF LOUM COLONY FAIL TO BOW TO THE PRINCIPALITY AND IDLY YEARN FOR FEDERATION REINFORCEMENTS.
THESE GANGS MUST BE STAMPED OUT AT ONCE!
DON'T, ORTEGA.
WE'RE IN THE ROYAL PRES-ENCE.
WE'LL HAVE PLENTY OF CHANCES TO GET THE LAST LAUGH...

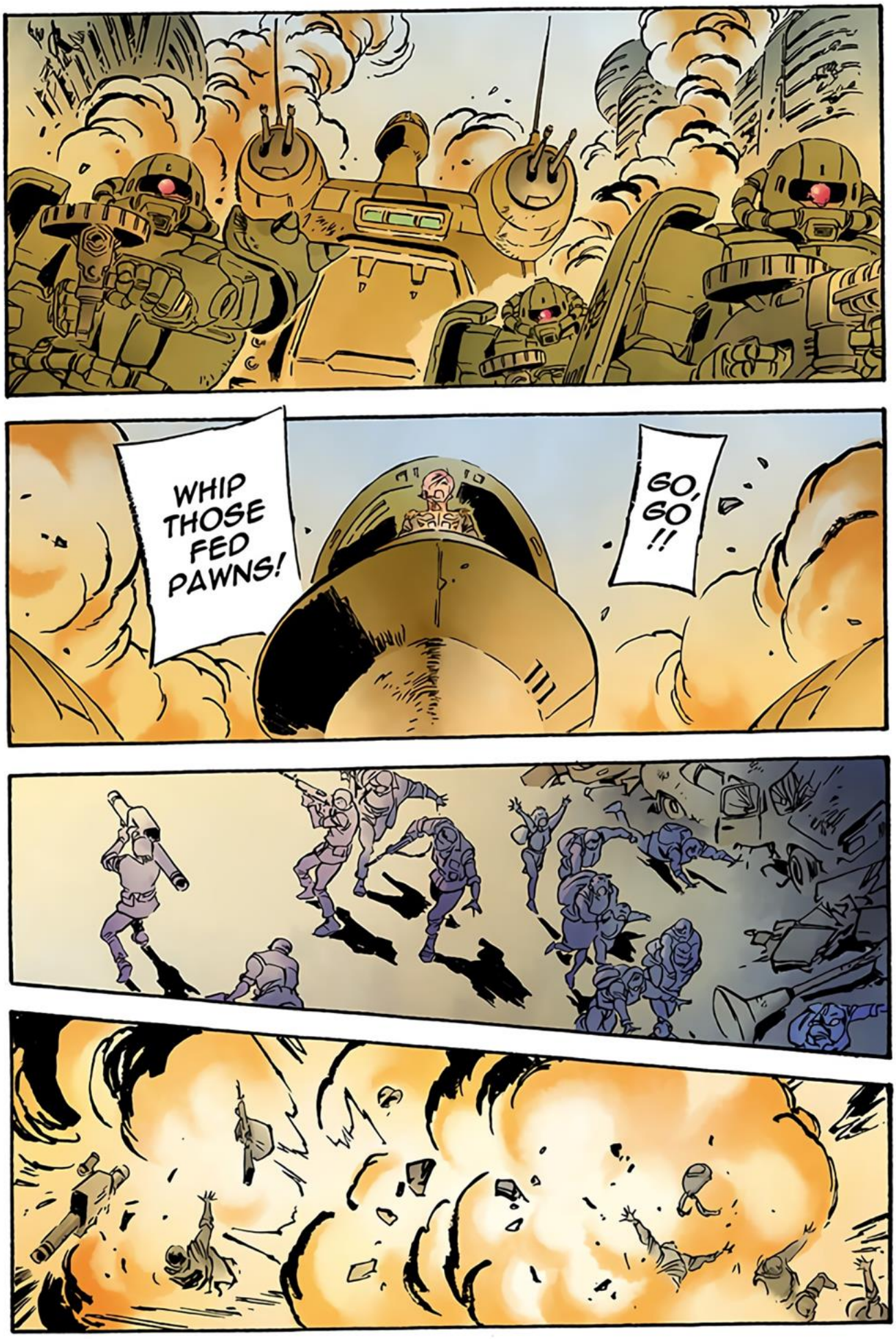

GARMA.
YOU'RE LOOKING DISTINGUISHED,
YOURSELF.
CHAR.
I SAW YOU
IN ACTION.
CONGRATULATIONS.
A POST WORTHY OF YOU.
AS OF TODAY, I'M A MAJOR SERVING WITH THE BEST OF THE BEST,
THE 101ST AIRBORNE DIVISION.
M-HM.
UNLIKE A FLEET BATTLE,
SEIZING CONTROL USING GROUND FORCES IS A MESSY AFFAIR.
MUD AND BLOOD EVERYWHERE.

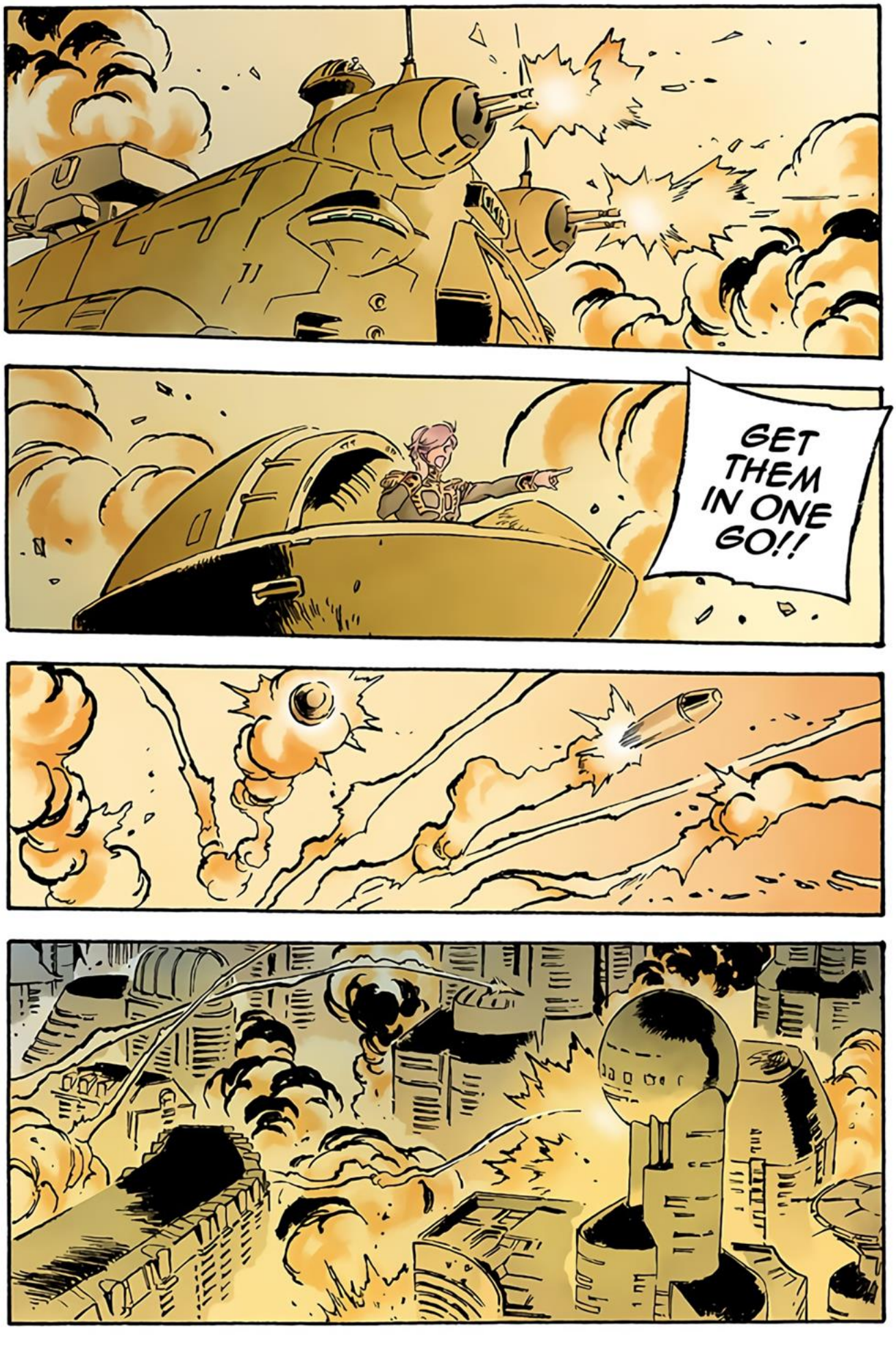

OH HO ...
I MAY BE JUST A MAJOR, BUT I HAVE PRACTICALLY AN ENTIRE ARMORED REGIMENT UNDER MY COMMAND.
AND WITH IT, I'LL MOP UP THE OPPOSITION THAT REMAINS IN LOUM.
A TALL ORDER FOR ME?
DID YOU JUST THINK THAT, CHAR ?!
WHY WOULD I?
BUT
IT'S A RISKY TOUR FOR SURE.
WHEN IT'S COR-NERED, EVEN A MOUSE WILL BITE A CAT.
THAT KIND OF DIRTY WORK DOESN'T SUIT YOU.
I'M SURPRISED THAT HIS GRACE DEGWIN AND HIS EXCELLENCY DOZLE—
WHAT OF THEM ?!
I AM MY OWN PER-SON !!

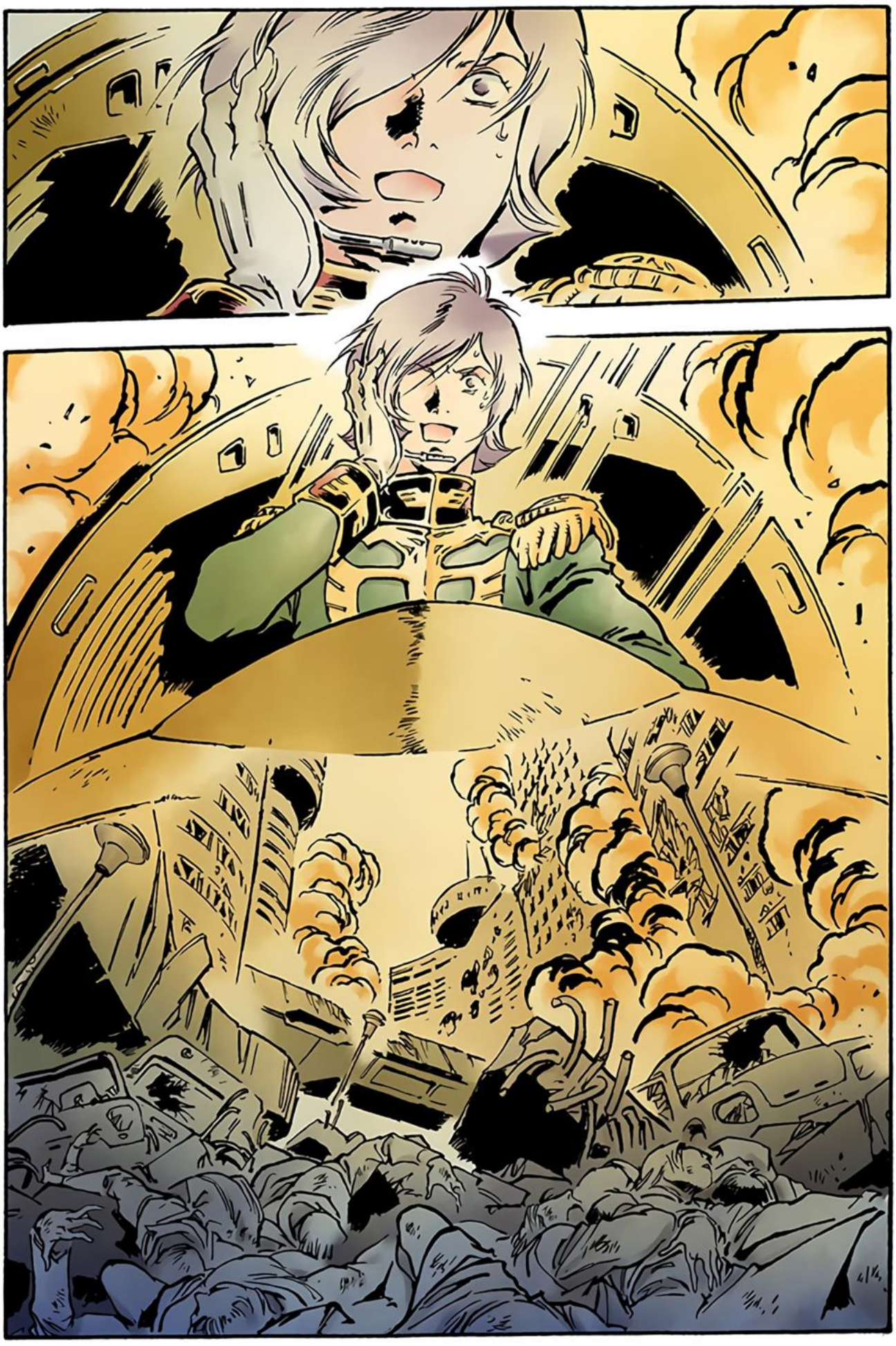

THAT FELLOW
YOU ONCE KNEW!
DON'T UNDERESTIMATE ME, CHAR.
I TOO AM NO LONGER...

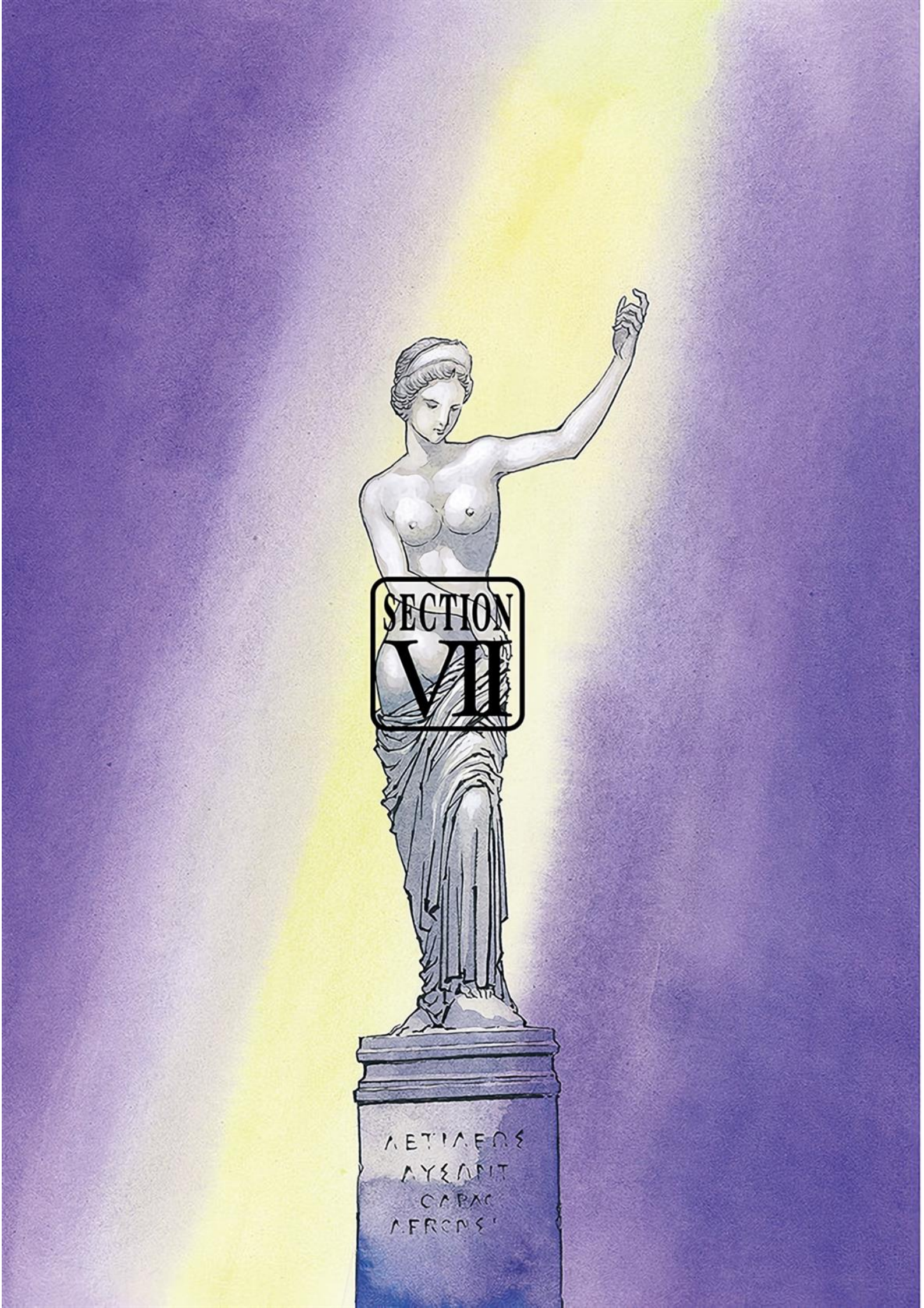





WHIP THOSE FED PAWNS!
GO, GO !!


GET THEM IN ONE GO!!




SECTION
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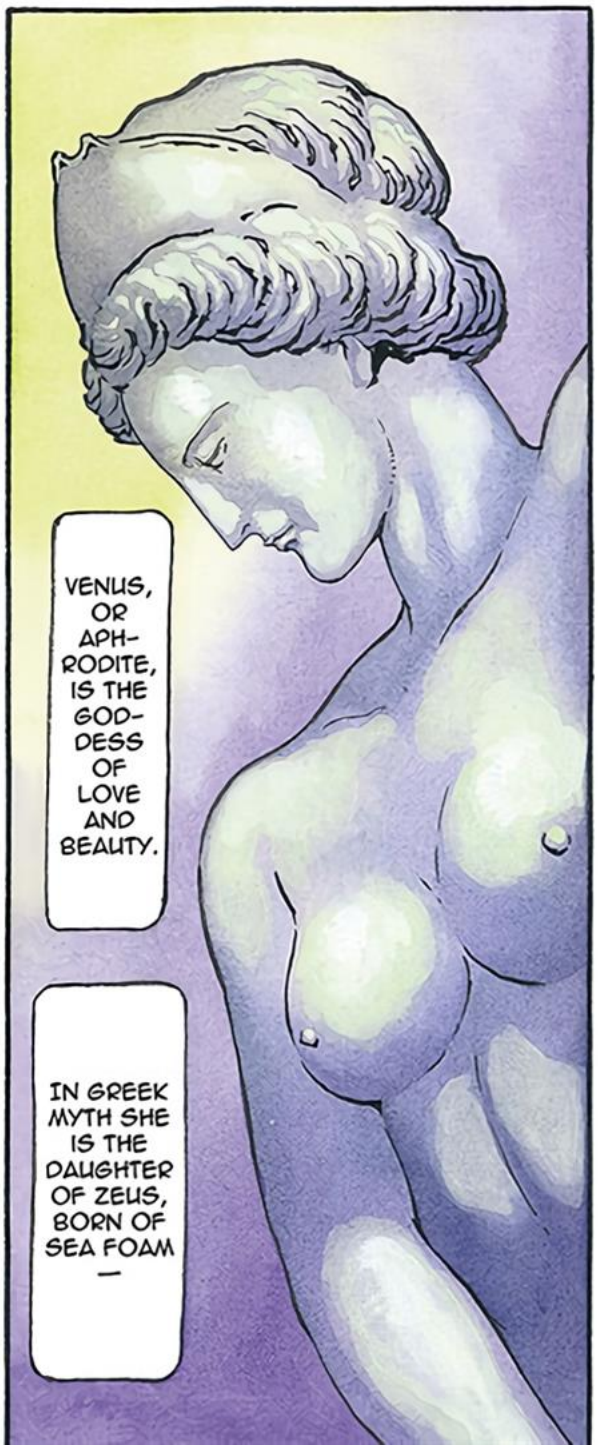
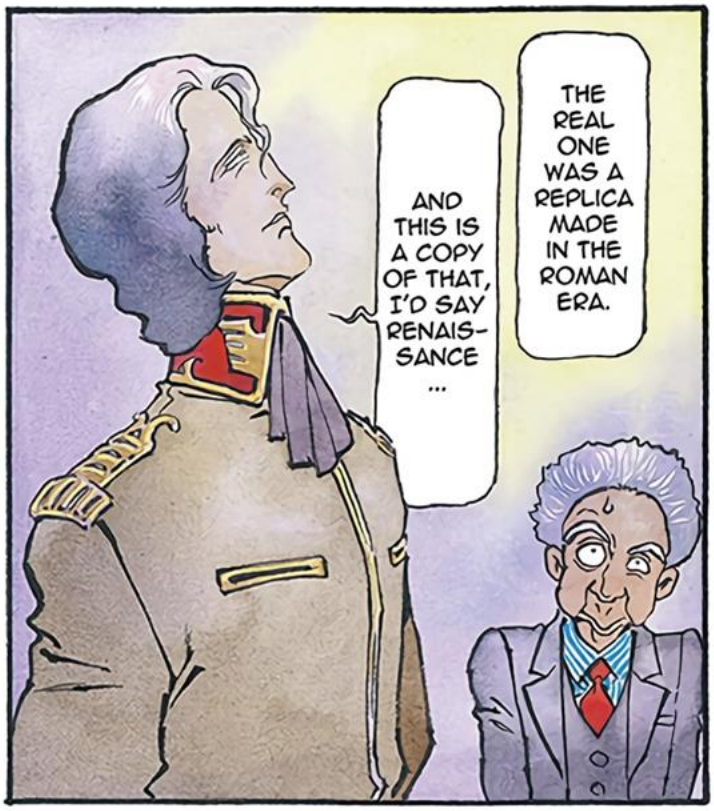
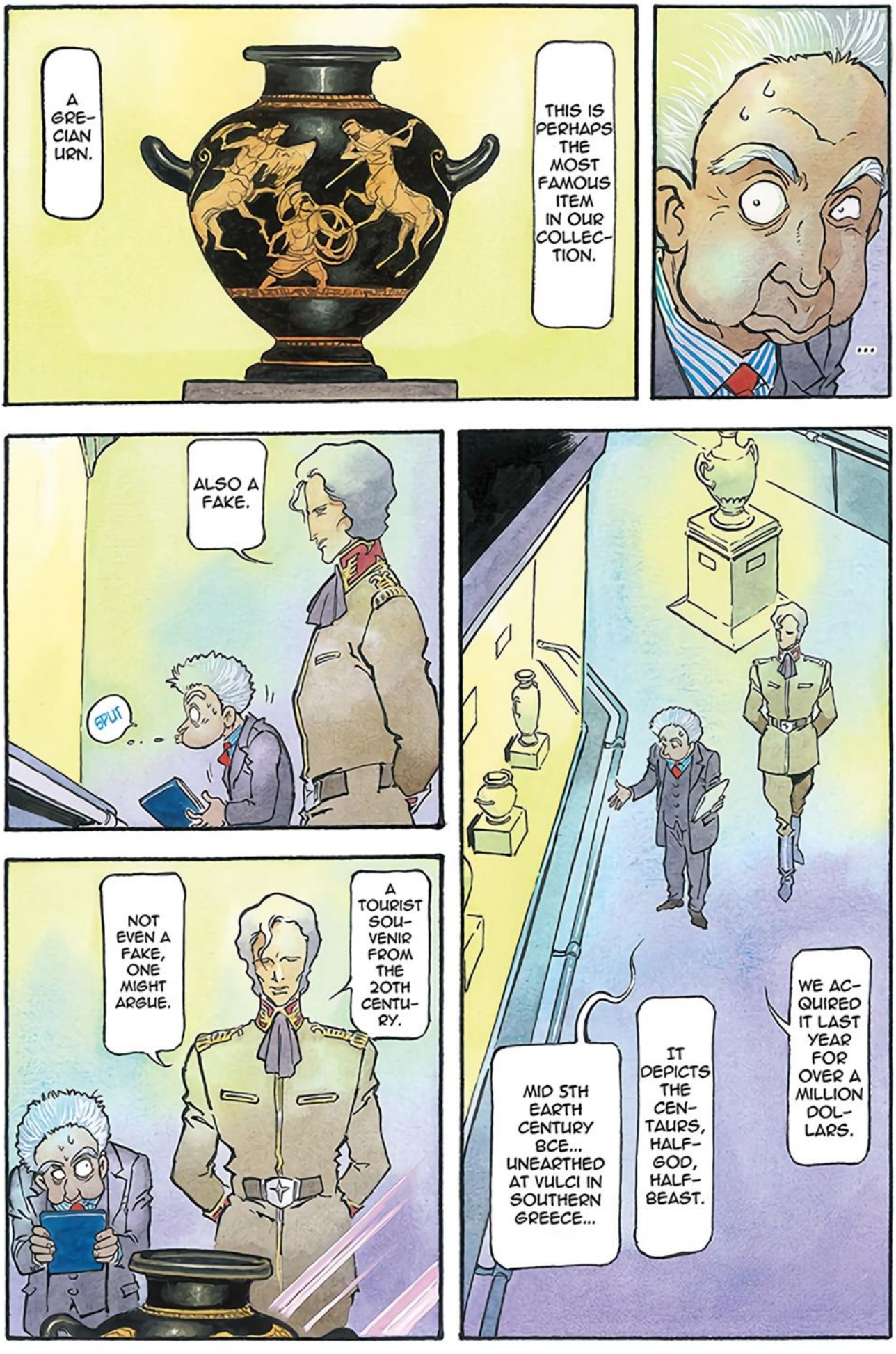
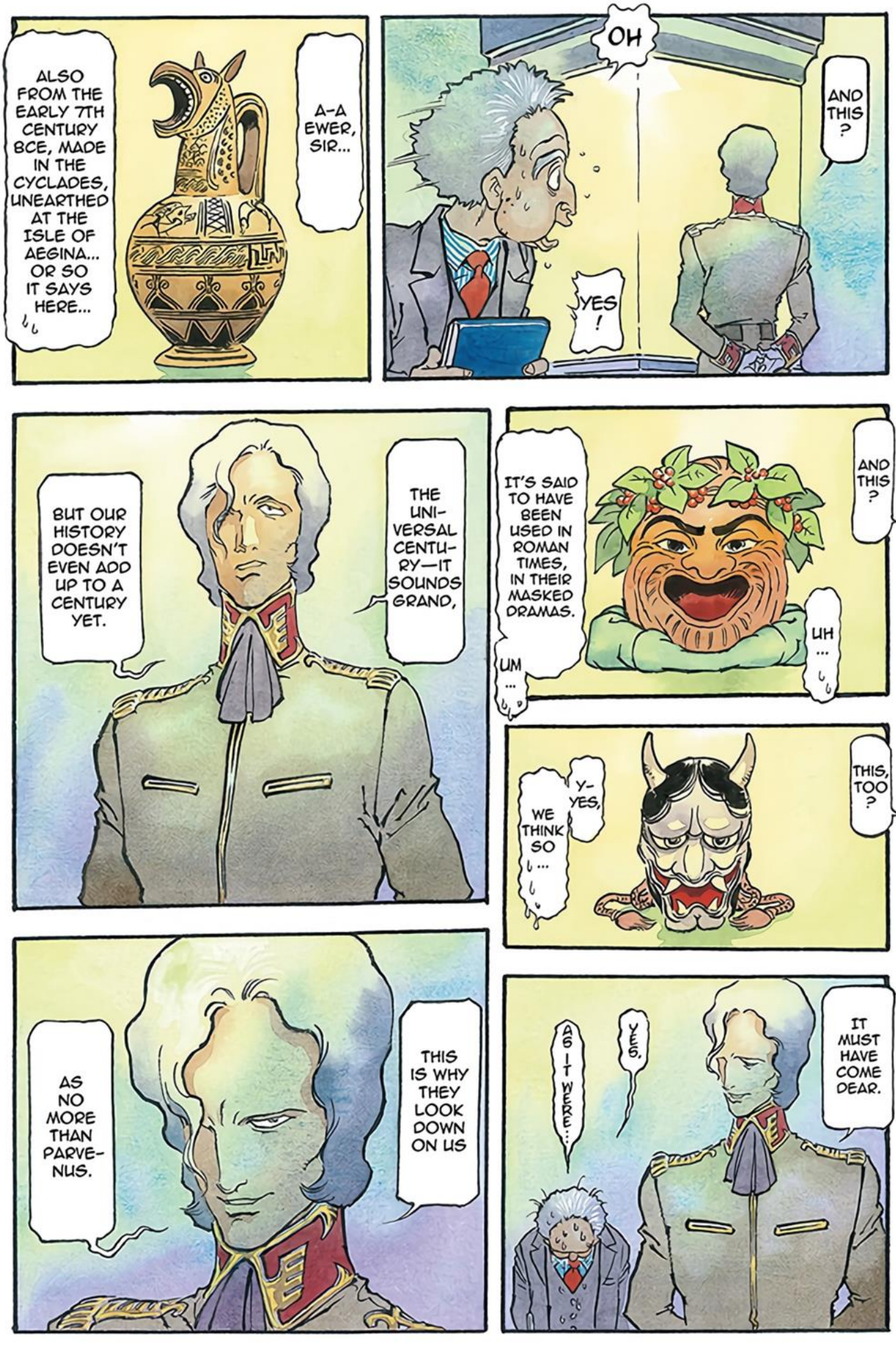
THE VENUS OF CAPUA.
BELIEVED TO BE A WORK OF THE LATE 4TH CENTURY BCE.

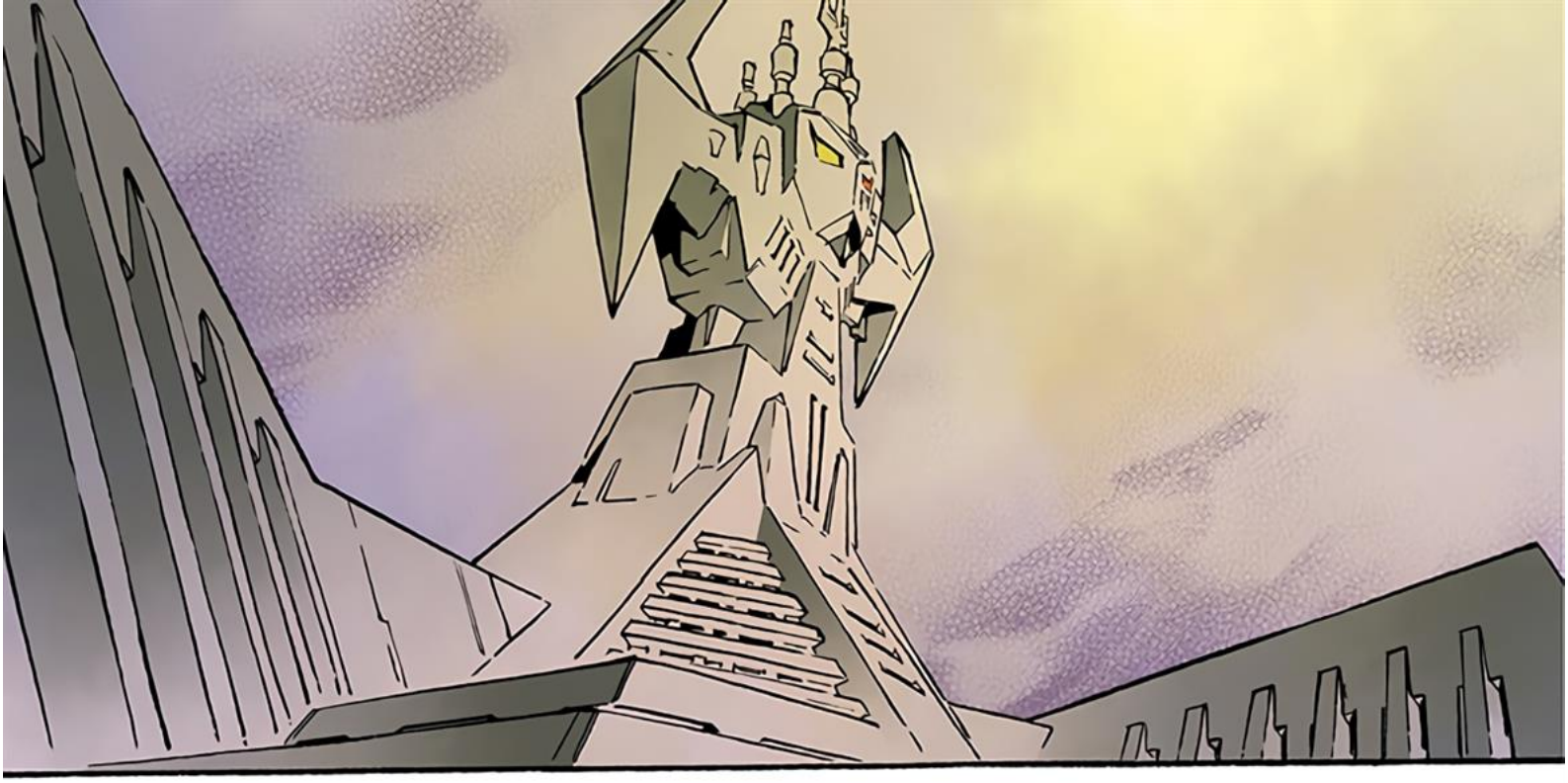

VENUS, OR APH-RODITE, IS THE GOD-DESS OF LOVE AND BEAUTY.
IN GREEK MYTH SHE IS THE DAUGHTER OF ZEUS, BORN OF SEA FOAM —

IT'S A
FAKE.

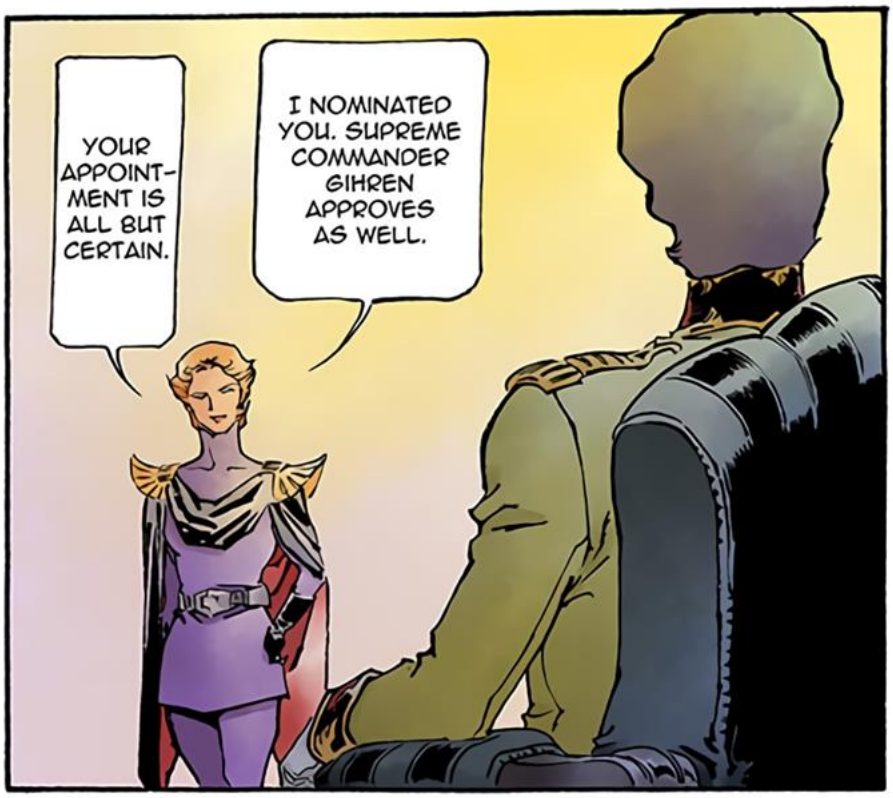

THE REAL ONE WAS A REPLICA MADE IN THE ROMAN ERA.
AND THIS IS A COPY OF THAT, I'D SAY RENAIS-SANCE ...


A GRECIAN URN.
THIS IS PERHAPS THE MOST FAMOUS ITEM IN OUR COLLECTION.
...
ALSO A FAKE.
SPUT
WE ACQUIRED IT LAST YEAR FOR OVER A MILLION DOLLARS.
IT DEPICTS THE CENTAURS, HALF-GOD, HALF-BEAST.
MID 5TH EARTH CENTURY BCE... UNEARTHED AT VULCI IN SOUTHERN GREECE...
A TOURIST SOUVENIR FROM THE 20TH CENTURY.
NOT EVEN A FAKE, ONE MIGHT ARGUE.

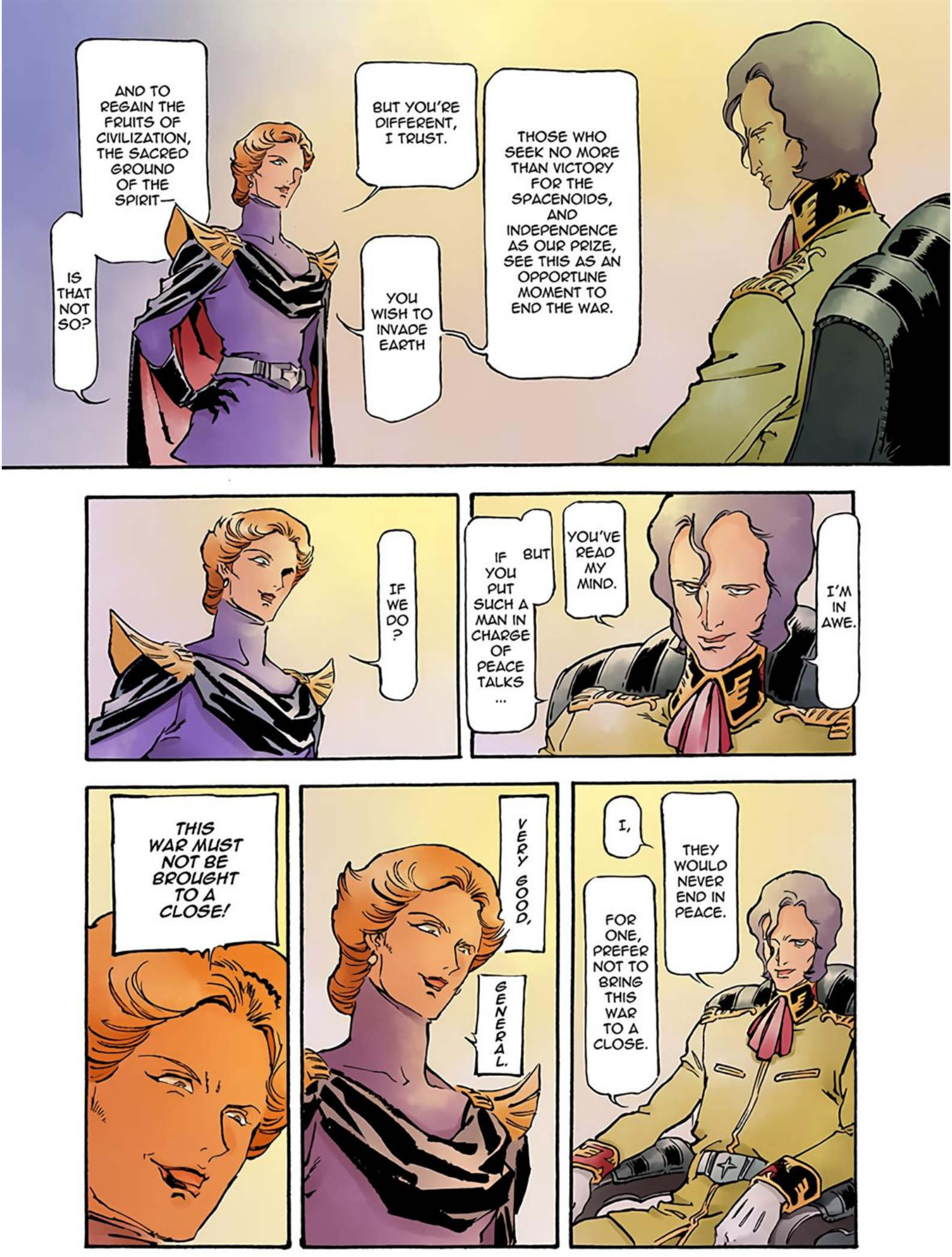

A-A EWER, SIR...
ALSO FROM THE EARLY 7TH CENTURY BCE, MADE IN THE CYCLADES, UNEARTHED AT THE ISLE OF AEGINA... OR SO IT SAYS HERE...
OH
AND THIS?
YES!
AND THIS?
IT'S SAID TO HAVE BEEN USED IN ROMAN TIMES, IN THEIR MASKED DRAMAS.
UM...
UH...
THE UNI-VERSAL CENTU-RY—IT SOUNDS GRAND,
BUT OUR HISTORY DOESN'T EVEN ADD UP TO A CENTURY YET.
THIS, TOO?
Y-YES, WE THINK SO...
IT MUST HAVE COME DEAR.
YES.
AS IT WERE...
THIS IS WHY THEY LOOK DOWN ON US
AS NO MORE THAN PARVE-NUS.

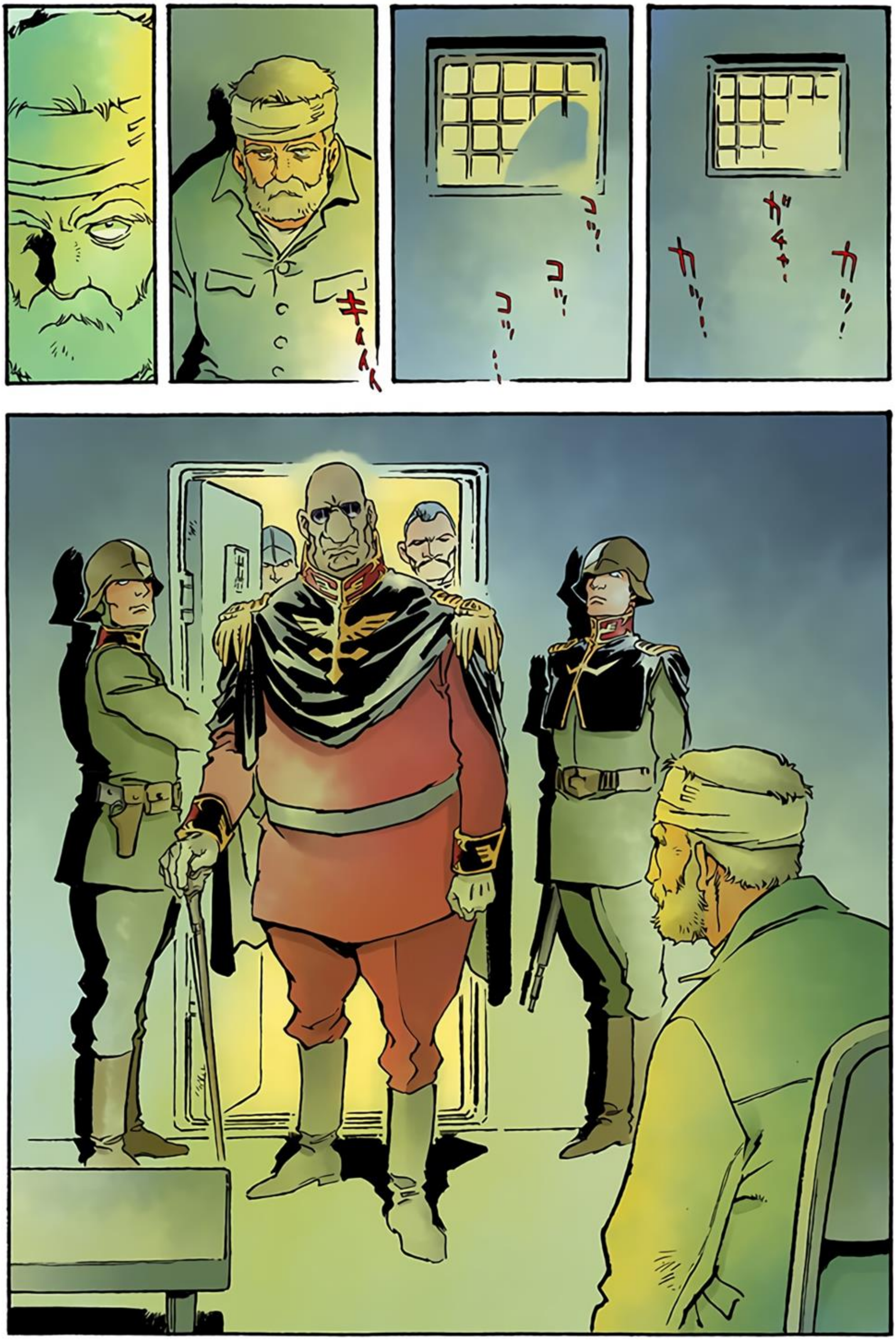


LT. GEN. MÒUVE.
YOU'RE THE ONLY ONE WE CAN TRUST WITH FULL AUTHORITY,


YOUR APPOINT-MENT IS ALL BUT CERTAIN.
I NOMINATED YOU. SUPREME COMMANDER GIHREN APPROVES AS WELL.

MAY I BE SO BOLD AS TO INQUIRE —
WHY ME?
BECAUSE YOU HOLD EARTHNOID VIEWS,
GENERAL.
WE CAN'T SEND SOMEONE TO EARTH WHO HAS NO AFFINITY FOR EARTH.
SUCH A MAN WOULDN'T DEMAND MUCH OF THEM.
AND WHAT WOULD YOU HAVE ME DEMAND OF THEM BEYOND AN ARMISTICE TANTAMOUNT TO THEIR RAISING A WHITE FLAG?
EARTH'S LAND AND WEALTH!


AND TO REGAIN THE FRUITS OF CIVILIZATION, THE SACRED GROUND OF THE SPIRIT—
IS THAT NOT SO?
BUT YOU'RE DIFFERENT, I TRUST.
YOU WISH TO INVADE EARTH
THOSE WHO SEEK NO MORE THAN VICTORY FOR THE SPACENOIDS, AND INDEPENDENCE AS OUR PRIZE, SEE THIS AS AN OPPORTUNE MOMENT TO END THE WAR.
IF WE DO?
IF BUT YOU PUT SUCH A MAN IN CHARGE OF PEACE TALKS ...
YOU'VE READ MY MIND.
I'M IN AWE.
THIS WAR MUST NOT BE BROUGHT TO A CLOSE!
VERY GOOD, GENERAL.
I,
FOR ONE, PREFER NOT TO BRING THIS WAR TO A CLOSE.
THEY WOULD NEVER END IN PEACE.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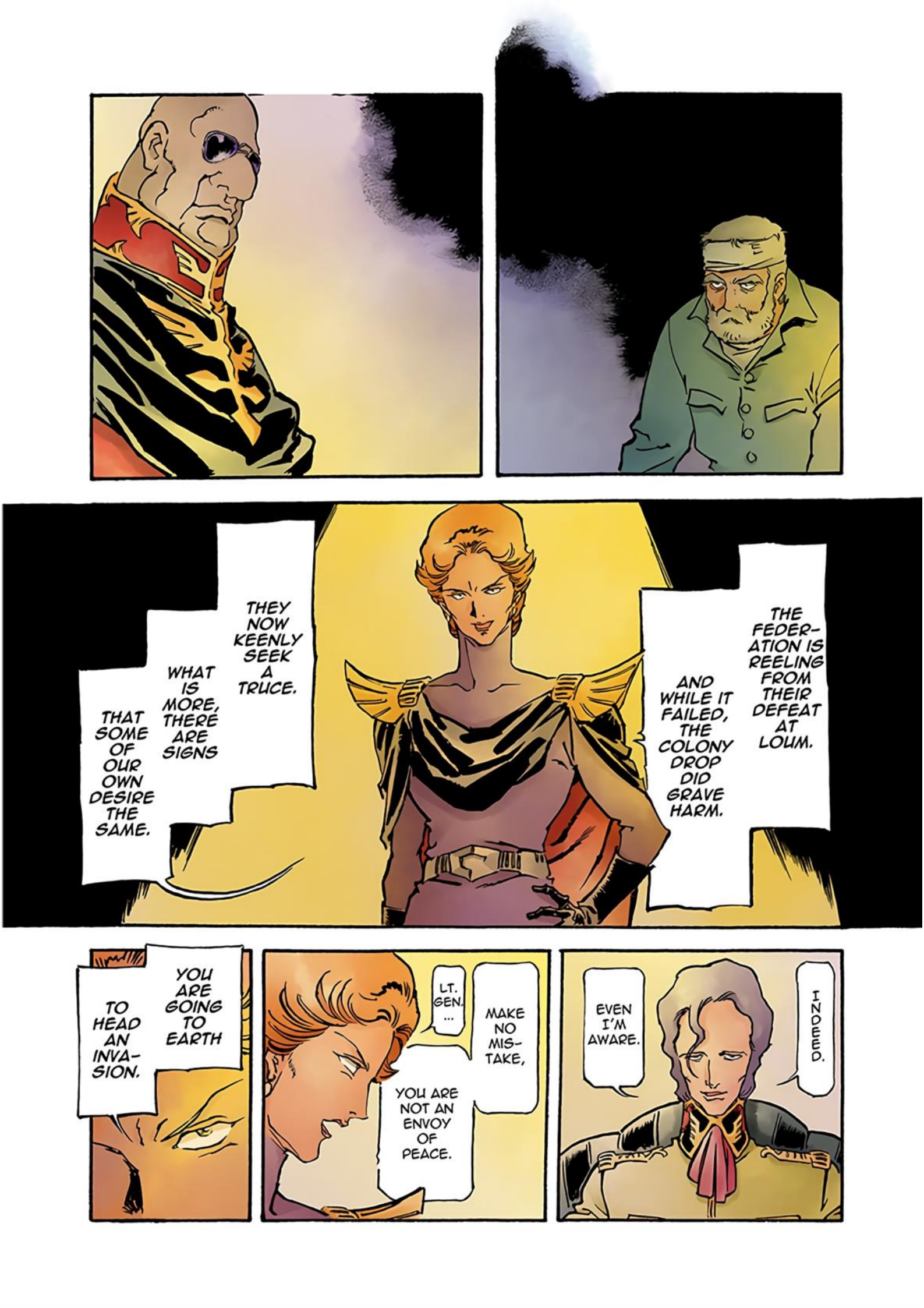
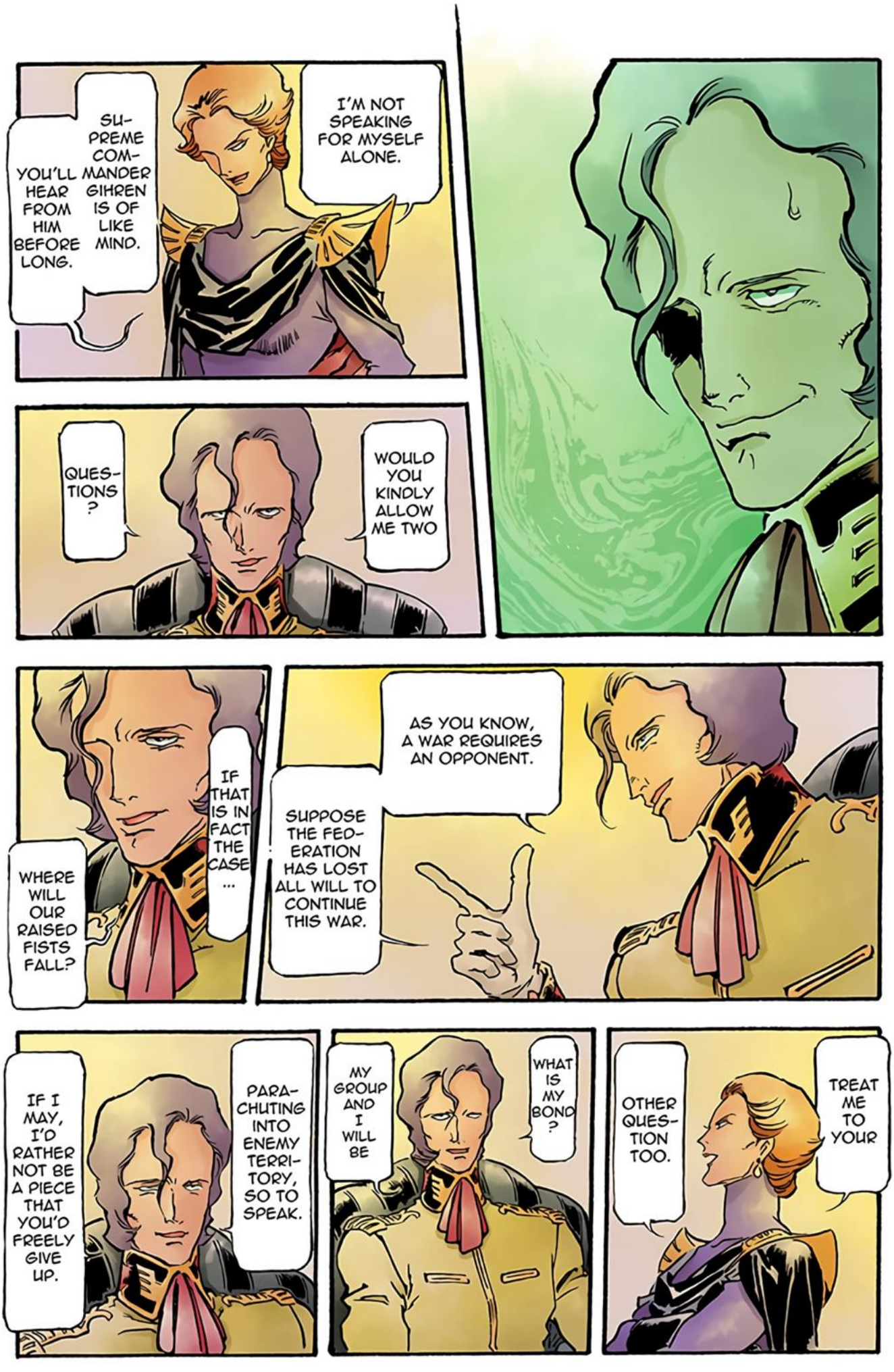
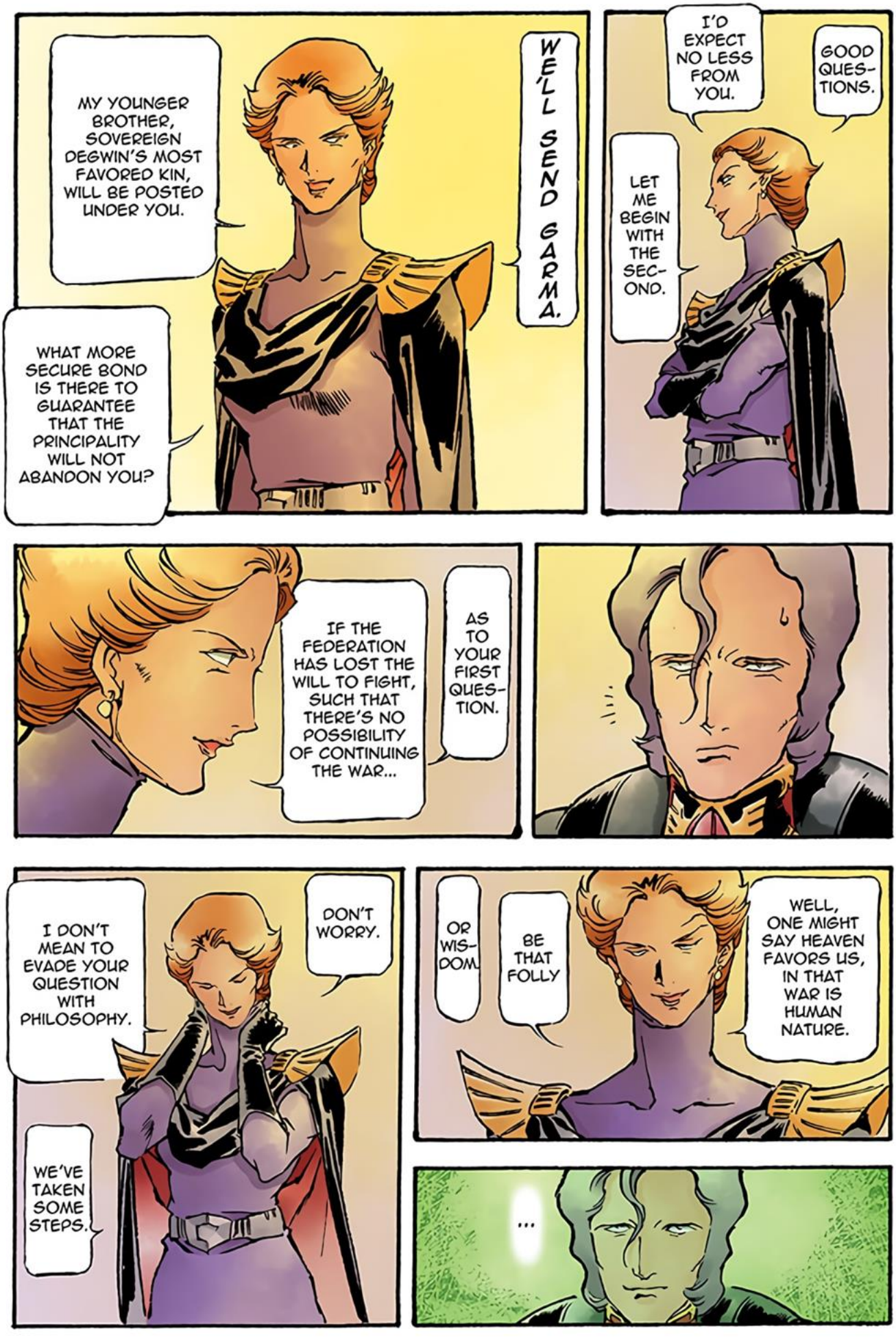
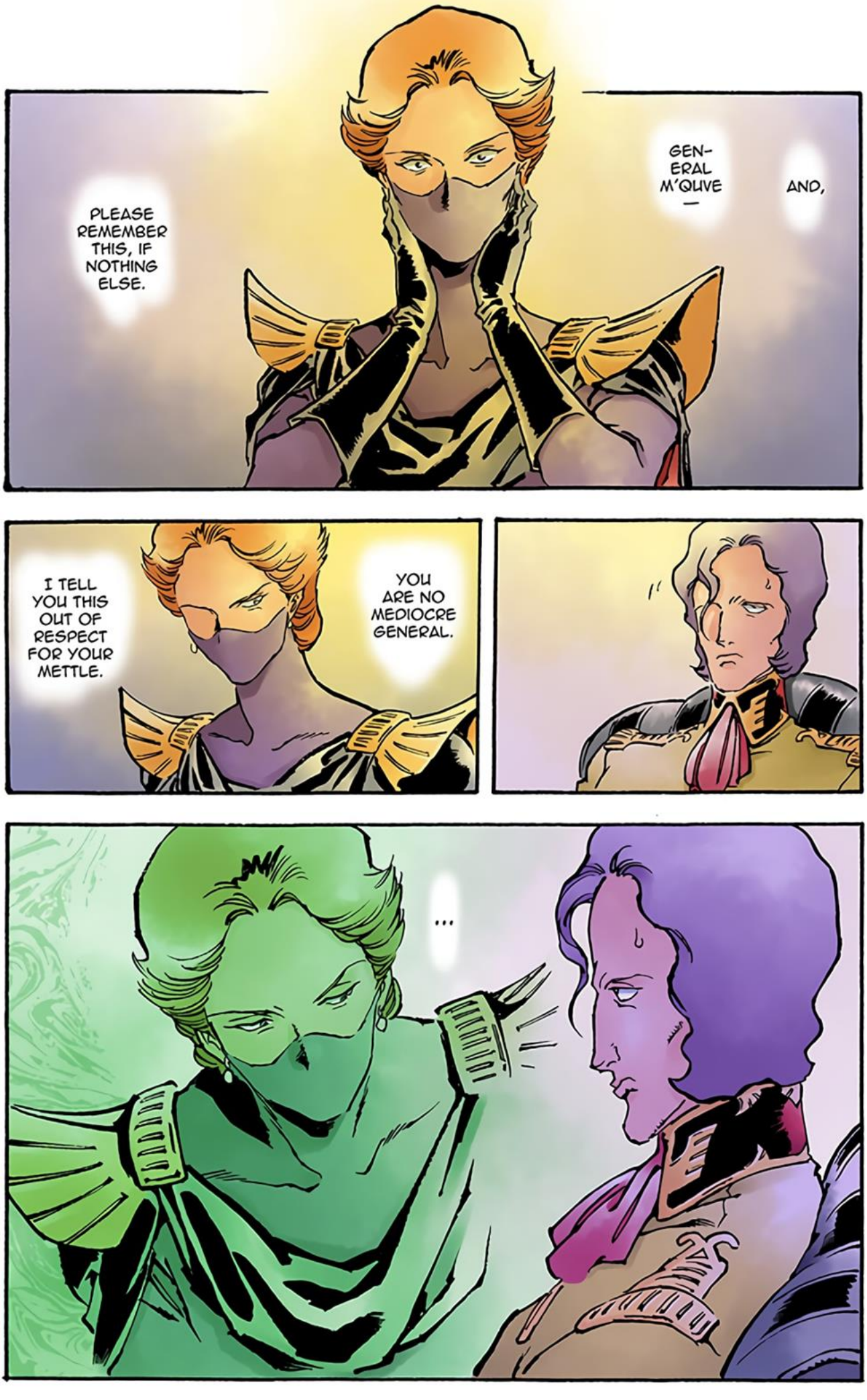

THE FEDERATION IS REELING FROM THEIR DEFEAT AT LOUM.
AND WHILE IT FAILED, THE COLONY DROP DID GRAVE HARM.
THEY NOW KEENLY SEEK A TRUCE.
WHAT IS MORE, THERE ARE SIGNS THAT SOME OF OUR OWN DESIRE THE SAME.
INDEED.
EVEN I'M AWARE.
LT. GEN. ...
MAKE NO MISTAKE,
YOU ARE NOT AN ENVOY OF PEACE.
YOU ARE GOING TO EARTH TO HEAD AN INVASION.


I'M NOT SPEAKING FOR MYSELF ALONE.
SUPREME COMMANDER GIHREN IS OF LIKE MIND.
YOU'LL HEAR FROM HIM BEFORE LONG.
WOULD YOU KINDLY ALLOW ME TWO
QUESTIONS?
AS YOU KNOW, A WAR REQUIRES AN OPPONENT.
SUPPOSE THE FEDERATION HAS LOST ALL WILL TO CONTINUE THIS WAR.
IF THAT IS IN FACT THE CASE ...
WHERE WILL OUR RAISED FISTS FALL?
TREAT ME TO YOUR
OTHER QUESTION TOO.
WHAT IS MY BOND?
MY GROUP AND I WILL BE
PARACHUTING INTO ENEMY TERRITORY, SO TO SPEAK.
IF I MAY, I'D RATHER NOT BE A PIECE THAT YOU'D FREELY GIVE UP.


WE'LL SEND GARMA.
MY YOUNGER BROTHER, SOVEREIGN DEGWIN'S MOST FAVORED KIN, WILL BE POSTED UNDER YOU.
WHAT MORE SECURE BOND IS THERE TO GUARANTEE THAT THE PRINCIPALITY WILL NOT ABANDON YOU?
GOOD QUESTIONS.
I'D EXPECT NO LESS FROM YOU.
LET ME BEGIN WITH THE SECOND.
AS TO YOUR FIRST QUESTION.
IF THE FEDERATION HAS LOST THE WILL TO FIGHT, SUCH THAT THERE'S NO POSSIBILITY OF CONTINUING THE WAR...
WELL, ONE MIGHT SAY HEAVEN FAVORS US, IN THAT WAR IS HUMAN NATURE.
BE THAT FOLLY
OR WISDOM
...
DON'T WORRY.
I DON'T MEAN TO EVADE YOUR QUESTION WITH PHILOSOPHY.
WE'VE TAKEN SOME STEPS.


PLEASE REMEMBER THIS, IF NOTHING ELSE.
GEN-ERAL M'QUVE —
AND,
I TELL YOU THIS OUT OF RESPECT FOR YOUR METTLE.
YOU ARE NO MEDIOCRE GENERAL.
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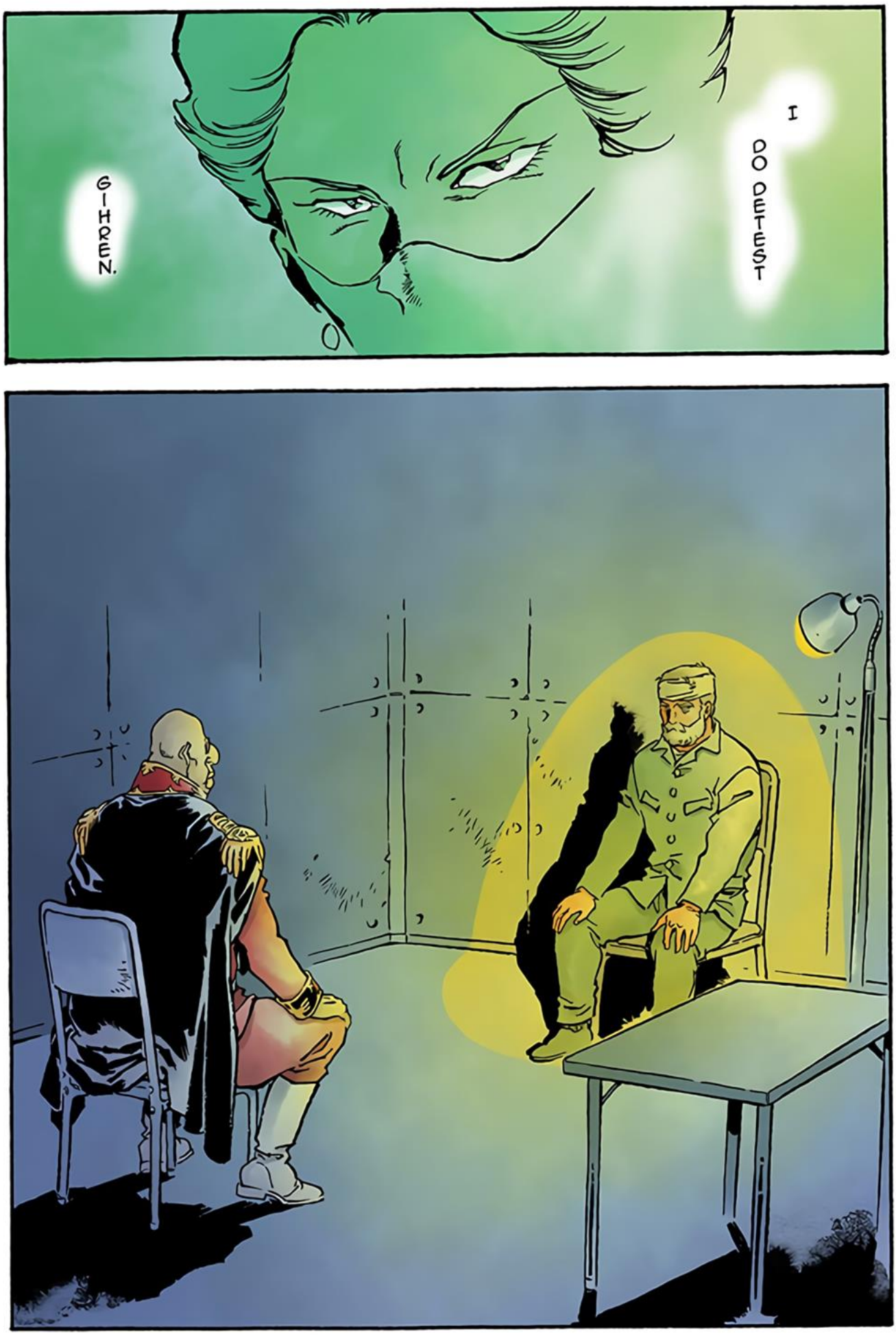
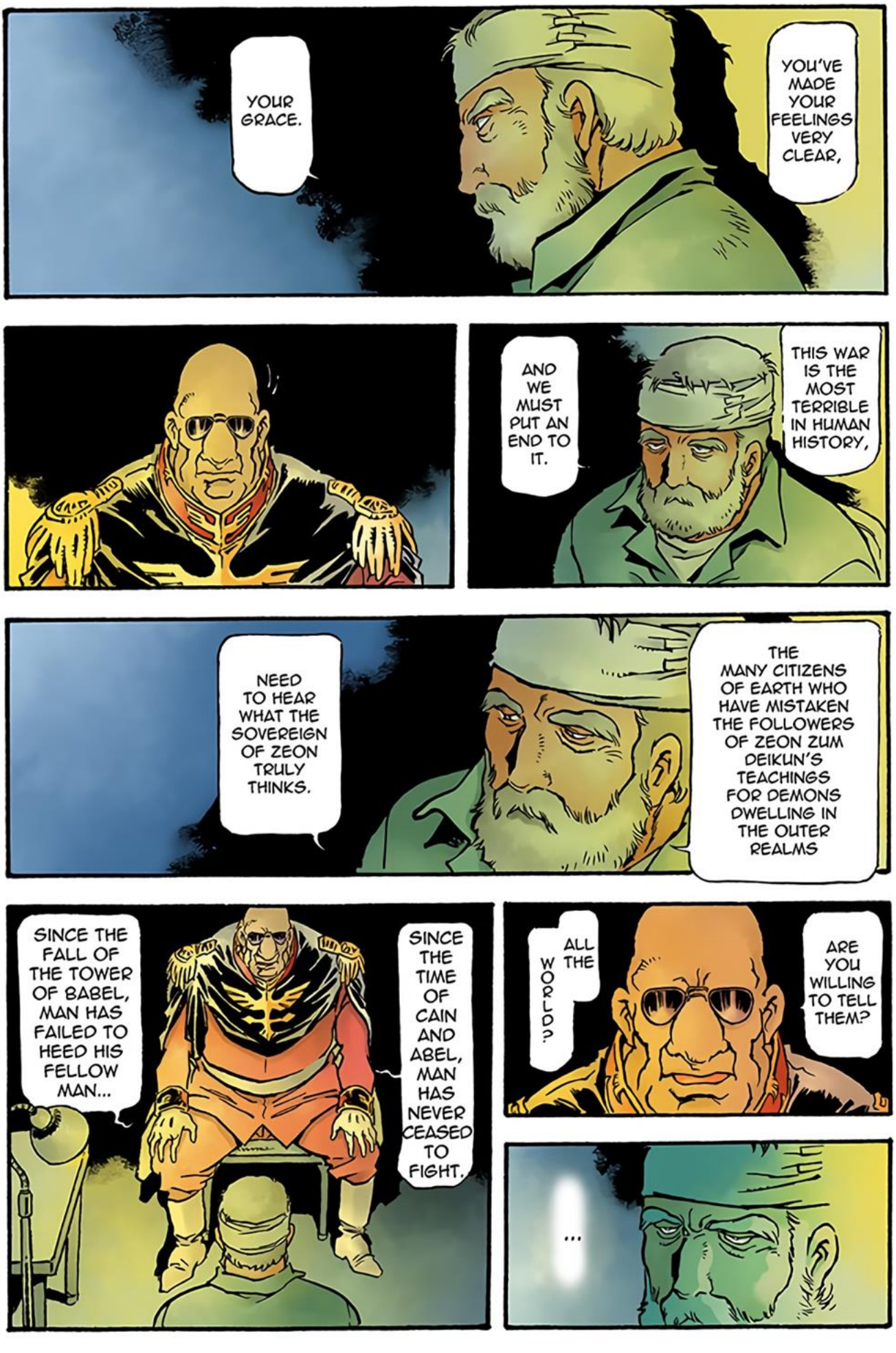
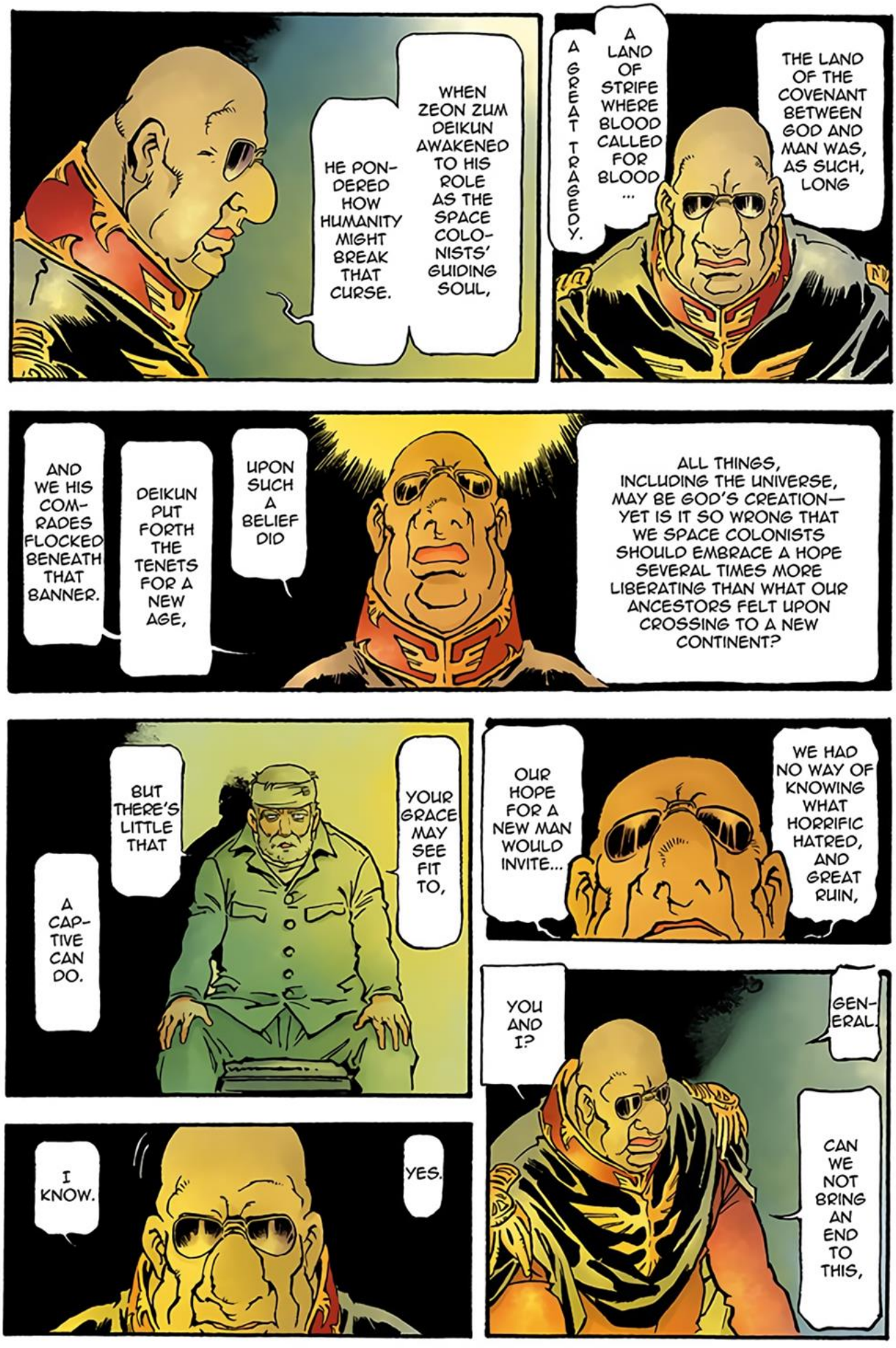

I
DO DETEST
GIHREN.


YOUR GRACE.
YOU'VE MADE YOUR FEELINGS VERY CLEAR,
AND WE MUST PUT AN END TO IT.
THIS WAR IS THE MOST TERRIBLE IN HUMAN HISTORY,
NEED TO HEAR WHAT THE SOVEREIGN OF ZEON TRULY THINKS.
THE MANY CITIZENS OF EARTH WHO HAVE MISTAKEN THE FOLLOWERS OF ZEON ZUM DEIKUN'S TEACHINGS FOR DEMONS DWELLING IN THE OUTER REALMS
SINCE THE FALL OF THE TOWER OF BABEL, MAN HAS FAILED TO HEED HIS FELLOW MAN...
SINCE THE TIME OF CAIN AND ABEL, MAN HAS NEVER CEASED TO FIGHT.
ALL THE WORLD?
ARE YOU WILLING TO TELL THEM?
...


THE LAND OF THE COVENANT BETWEEN GOD AND MAN WAS, AS SUCH, LONG
A LAND OF STRIFE WHERE BLOOD CALLED FOR BLOOD ...
A GREAT TRAGEDY.
WHEN ZEON ZUM DEIKUN AWAKENED TO HIS ROLE AS THE SPACE COLONISTS' GUIDING SOUL,
HE PONDERED HOW HUMANITY MIGHT BREAK THAT CURSE.
ALL THINGS, INCLUDING THE UNIVERSE, MAY BE GOD'S CREATION— YET IS IT SO WRONG THAT WE SPACE COLONISTS SHOULD EMBRACE A HOPE SEVERAL TIMES MORE LIBERATING THAN WHAT OUR ANCESTORS FELT UPON CROSSING TO A NEW CONTINENT?
UPON SUCH A BELIEF DID
DEIKUN PUT FORTH THE TENETS FOR A NEW AGE,
AND WE HIS COMRADES FLOCKED BENEATH THAT BANNER.
WE HAD NO WAY OF KNOWING WHAT HORRIFIC HATRED, AND GREAT RUIN,
OUR HOPE FOR A NEW MAN WOULD INVITE...
YOUR GRACE MAY SEE FIT TO,
BUT THERE'S LITTLE THAT
A CAPTIVE CAN DO.
GENERAL.
CAN WE NOT BRING AN END TO THIS,
YOU AND I?
YES.
I KNOW.

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ERAL.
I KNOW
ALL
TOO
WELL,
A
CAPTIVE
HASN'T
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MEANS
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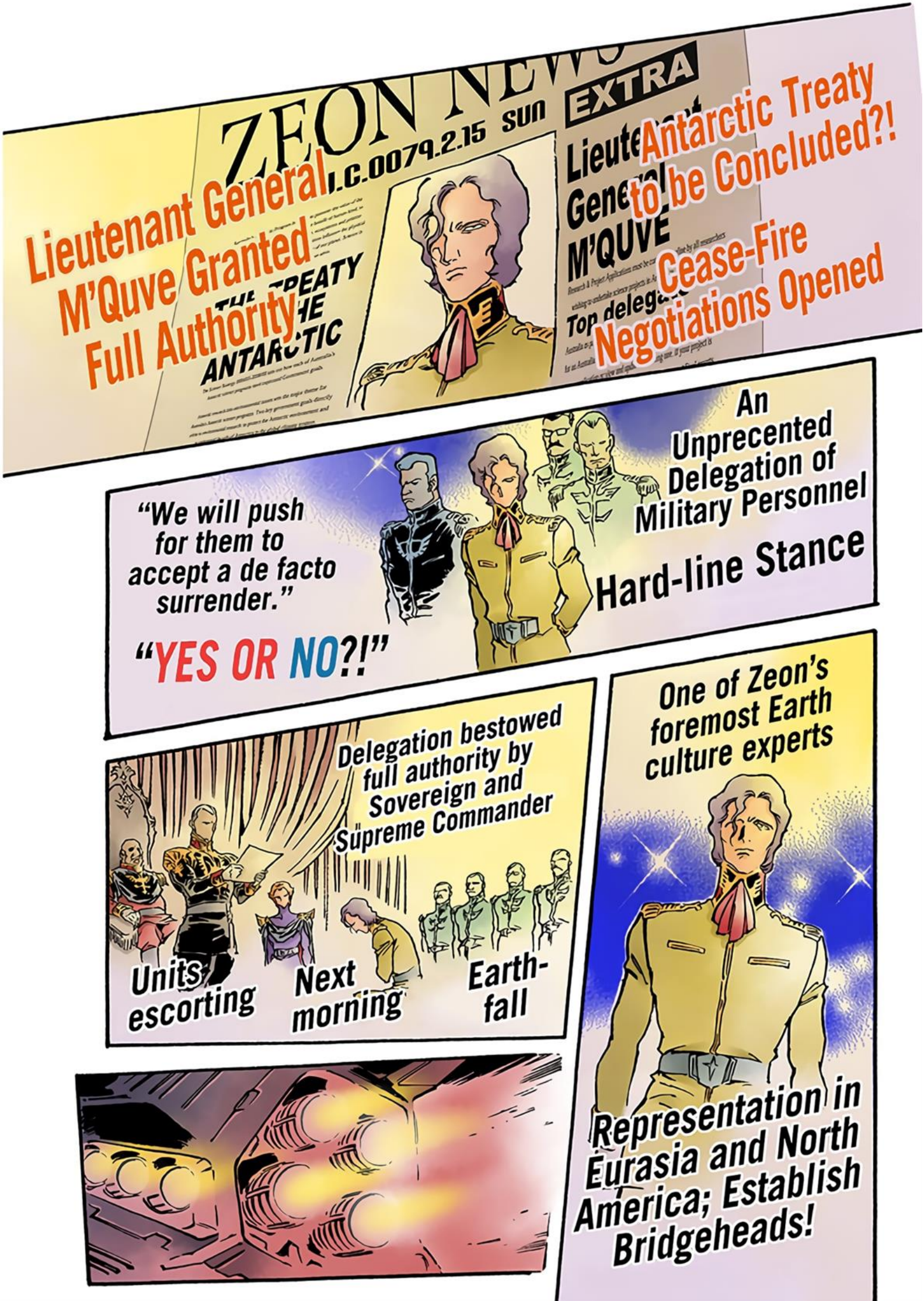
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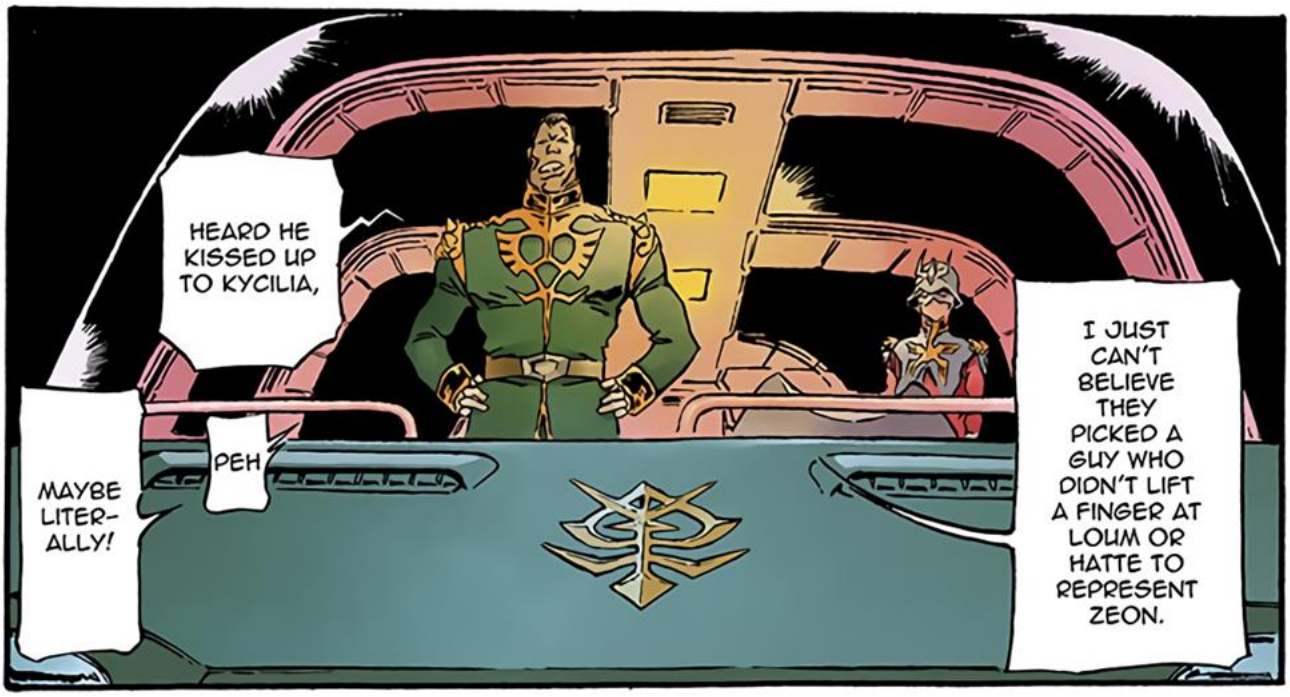
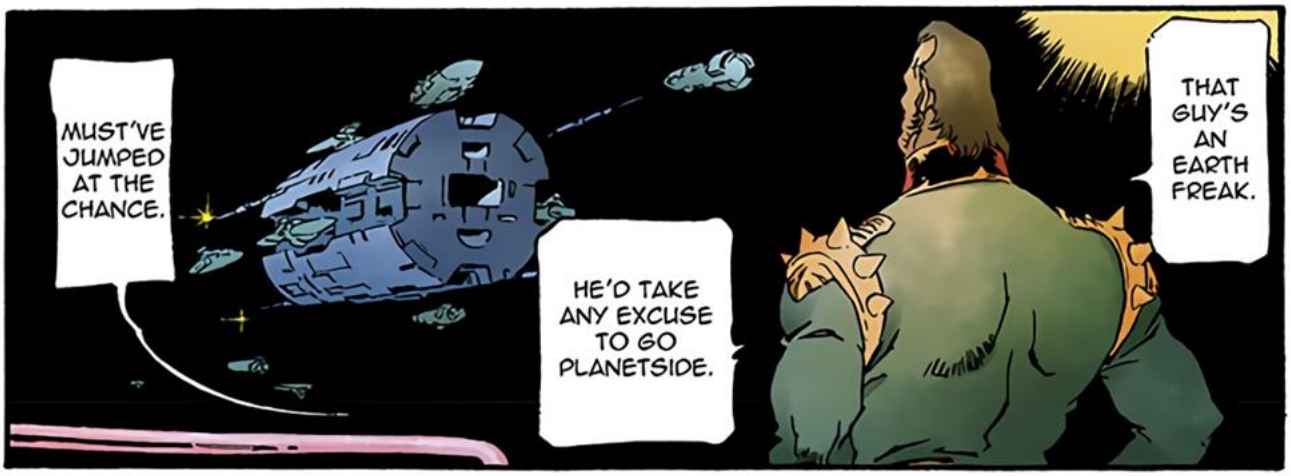
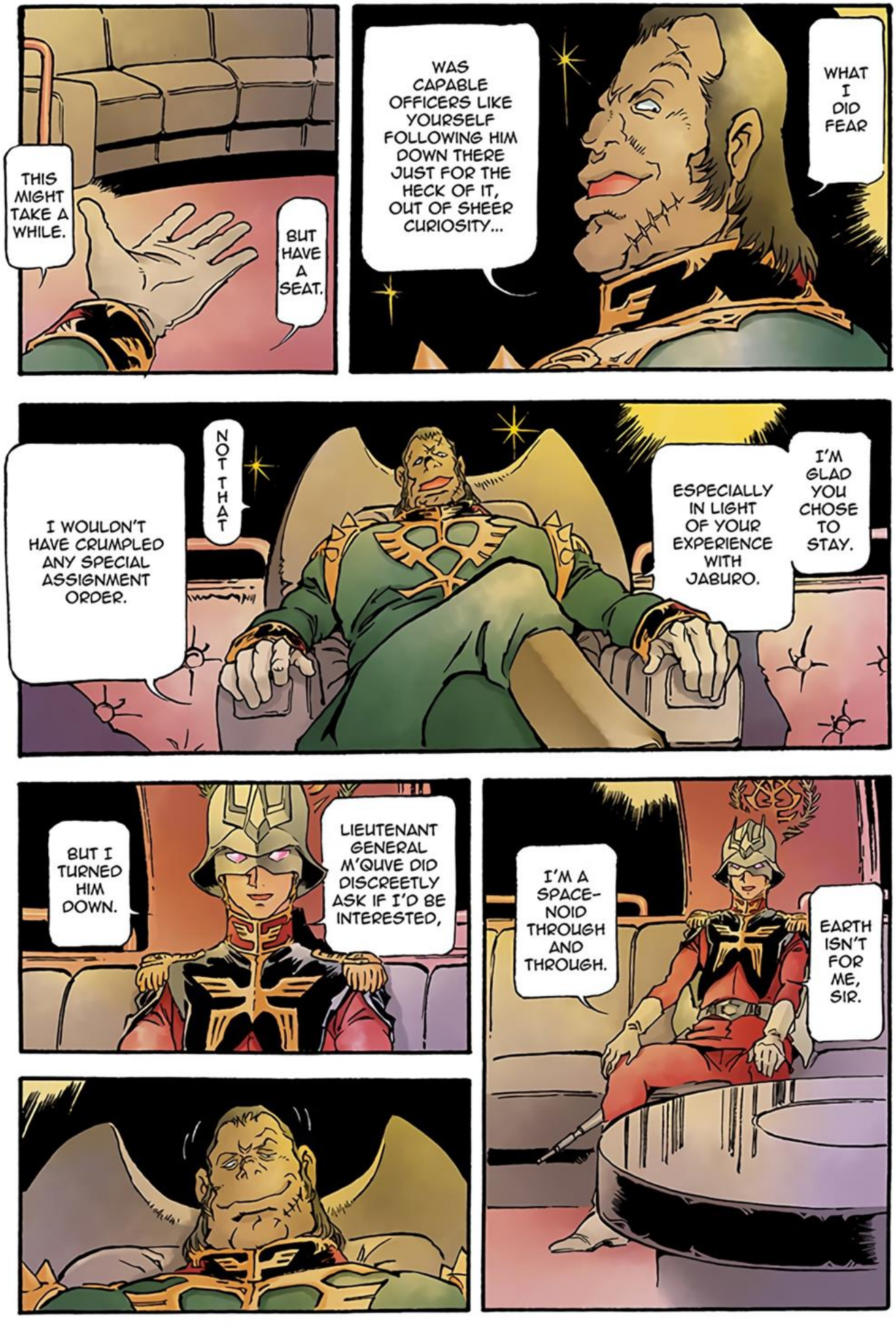
EXTRA
Lieutenant General M'Quve Granted Full Authority
THE TREATY
ANTARCTIC
Antarctic Treaty to be Concluded?!
Cease-Fire Negotiations Opened
"We will push for them to accept a de facto surrender."
"YES OR NO?!"
An Unprecented Delegation of Military Personnel
Hard-line Stance
Delegation bestowed full authority by Sovereign and Supreme Commander
Units escorting
Next morning
Earth-fall
One of Zeon's foremost Earth culture experts
Representation in Eurasia and North America; Establish Bridgeheads!

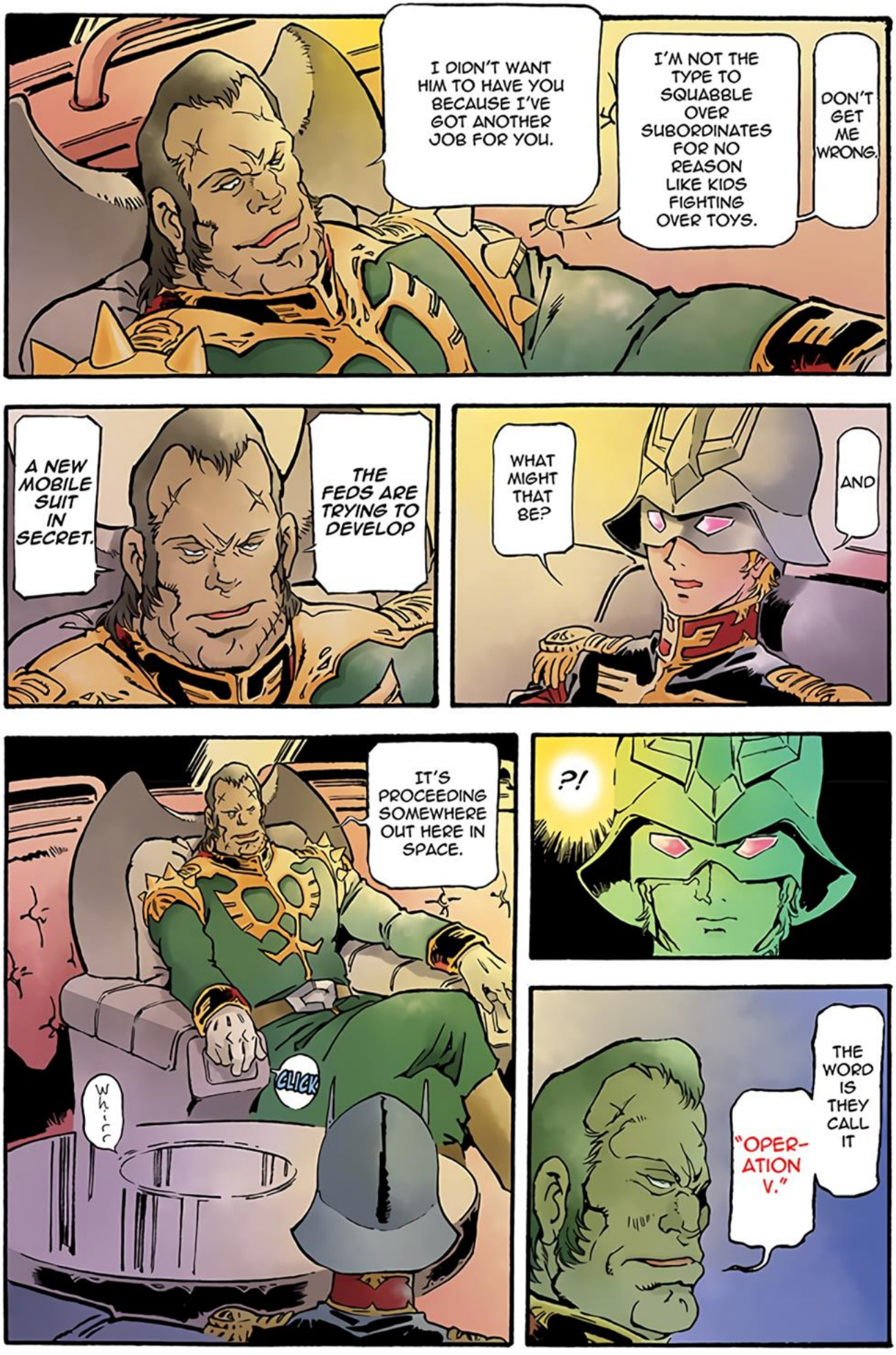
TSK
GIMME A BREAK!
THAT M'QUVE GUY?
WHAT'S SO DANDY ABOUT
I DON'T LIKE
HIS SORT!


HEARD HE KISSED UP TO KYCILIA,
PEH
MAYBE LITER-ALLY!
I JUST CAN'T BELIEVE THEY PICKED A GUY WHO DIDN'T LIFT A FINGER AT LOUM OR HATTE TO REPRESENT ZEON.


MUST'VE JUMPED AT THE CHANCE.
HE'D TAKE ANY EXCUSE TO GO PLANETSIDE.
THAT GUY'S AN EARTH FREAK.

HE PROBABLY WOULDN'T EVEN MIND IF HE DIED FROM SOME RANDOM EARTH DISEASE AND GOT BURIED THERE.
WELL, AT LEAST HE'S OUT OF OUR HAIR.


THIS MIGHT TAKE A WHILE.
BUT HAVE A SEAT.
WAS CAPABLE OFFICERS LIKE YOURSELF FOLLOWING HIM DOWN THERE JUST FOR THE HECK OF IT, OUT OF SHEER CURIOSITY...
WHAT I DID FEAR
I WOULDN'T HAVE CRUMPLED ANY SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT ORDER.
NOT THAT
ESPECIALLY IN LIGHT OF YOUR EXPERIENCE WITH JABURO.
I'M GLAD YOU CHOSE TO STAY.
BUT I TURNED HIM DOWN.
LIEUTENANT GENERAL M'QUVE DID DISCREETLY ASK IF I'D BE INTERESTED,
I'M A SPACE-NOID THROUGH AND THROUGH.
EARTH ISN'T FOR ME, SIR.


DON'T GET ME WRONG.
I'M NOT THE TYPE TO SQUABBLE OVER SUBORDINATES FOR NO REASON LIKE KIDS FIGHTING OVER TOYS.
I DIDN'T WANT HIM TO HAVE YOU BECAUSE I'VE GOT ANOTHER JOB FOR YOU.
THE FEDS ARE TRYING TO DEVELOP A NEW MOBILE SUIT IN SECRET.
AND
WHAT MIGHT THAT BE?
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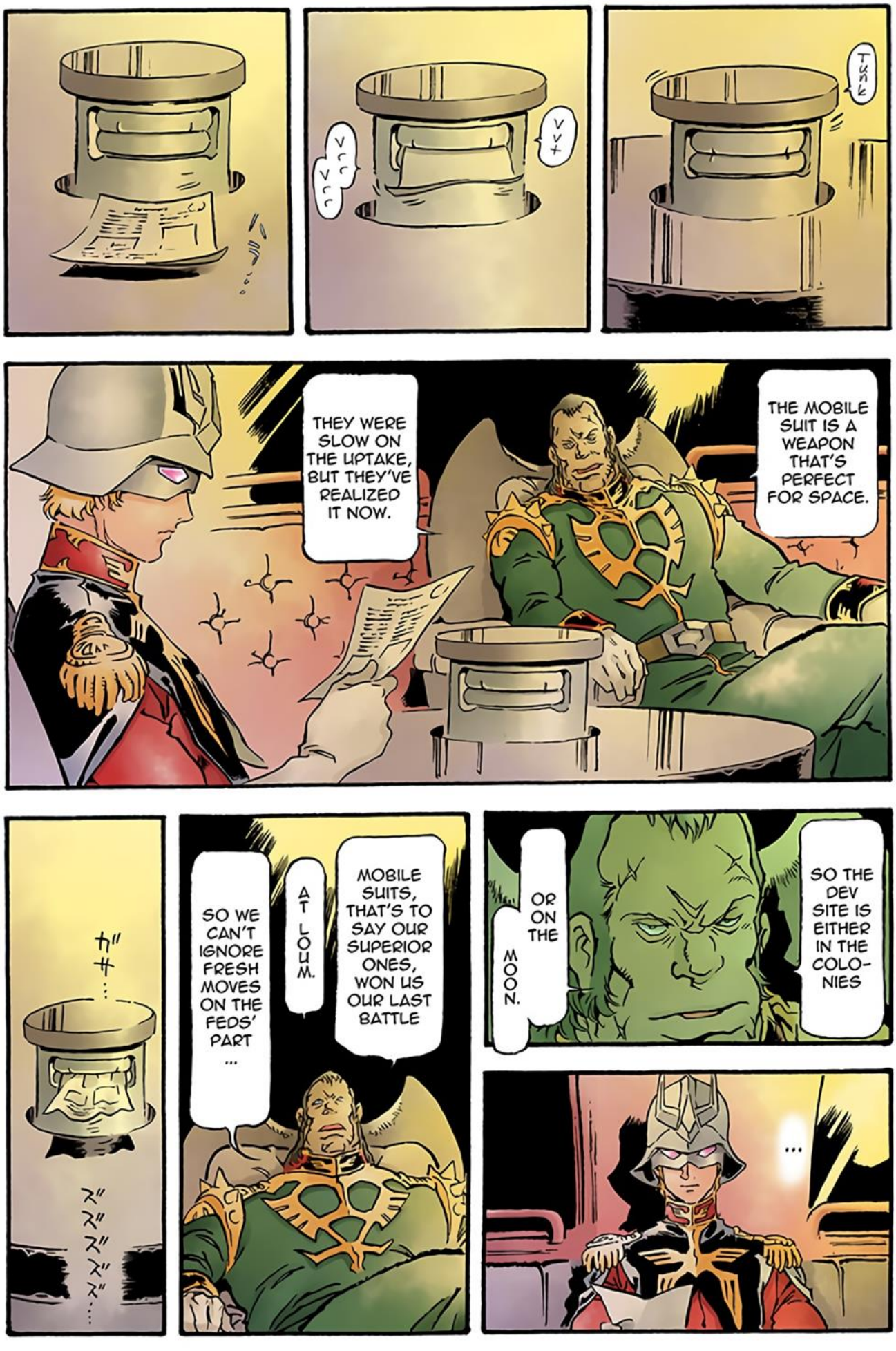
IT'S PROCEEDING SOMEWHERE OUT HERE IN SPACE.
CLICK
WHICC
THE WORD IS THEY CALL IT "OPER-ATION V."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Vvt
Vrr Vrr
THE MOBILE SUIT IS A WEAPON THAT'S PERFECT FOR SPACE.
THEY WERE SLOW ON THE UPTAKE, BUT THEY'VE REALIZED IT NOW.
SO THE DEV SITE IS EITHER IN THE COLO-NIES
OR ON THE MOON.
...
MOBILE SUITS, THAT'S TO SAY OUR SUPERIOR ONES, WON US OUR LAST BATTLE
AT LOUM.
SO WE CAN'T IGNORE FRESH MOVES ON THE FEDS' PART ...
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WHERE TIANEM'S INTACT FLEET HAS RALLIED.
WITH THE EARTH INVASION COMING UP, EVEN GIHREN DOESN'T WANT TO KICK THE HORNETS' NEST BY GOING INTO VON BRAUN OR LUNA II
BUT I CAN YELL ALL DAY LONG ABOUT OPERATION V BEING A REAL THREAT AND NEVER GET THROUGH TO SOME PEOPLE WHO JUST DON'T GET IT.

FIND THE SITE OF OPERA-TION V
AND CRUSH IT!
PURSUE EVERY LEAD, AND LET NOTHING STOP YOU.
THAT'S WHY I'M GIVING YOU THE ORDER.

AH,
IT'S HERE!

THAT'S THE SPIRIT!
SEEMS LIKE YOU GET HOW IMPORTANT THIS MISSION IS.

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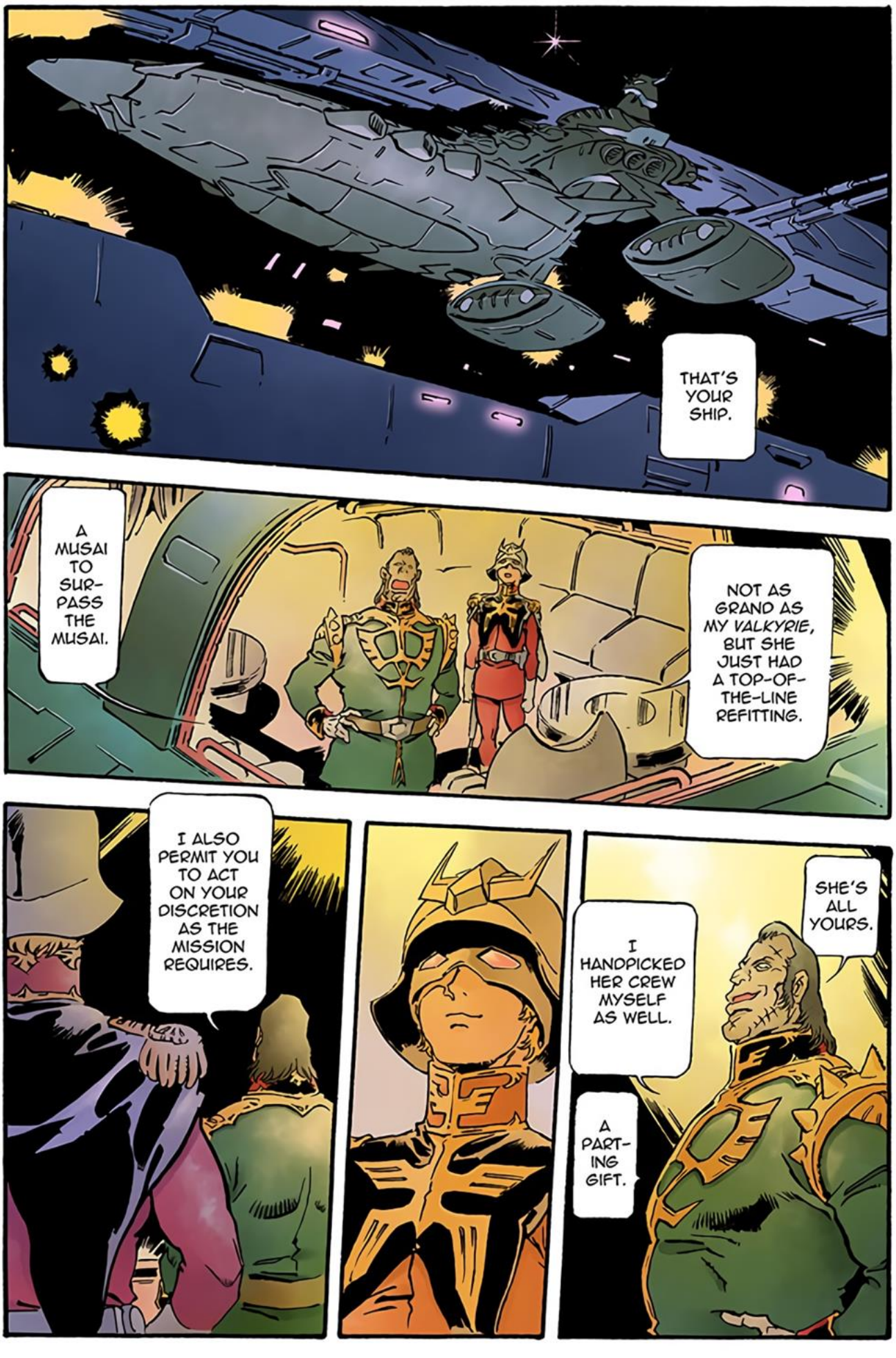
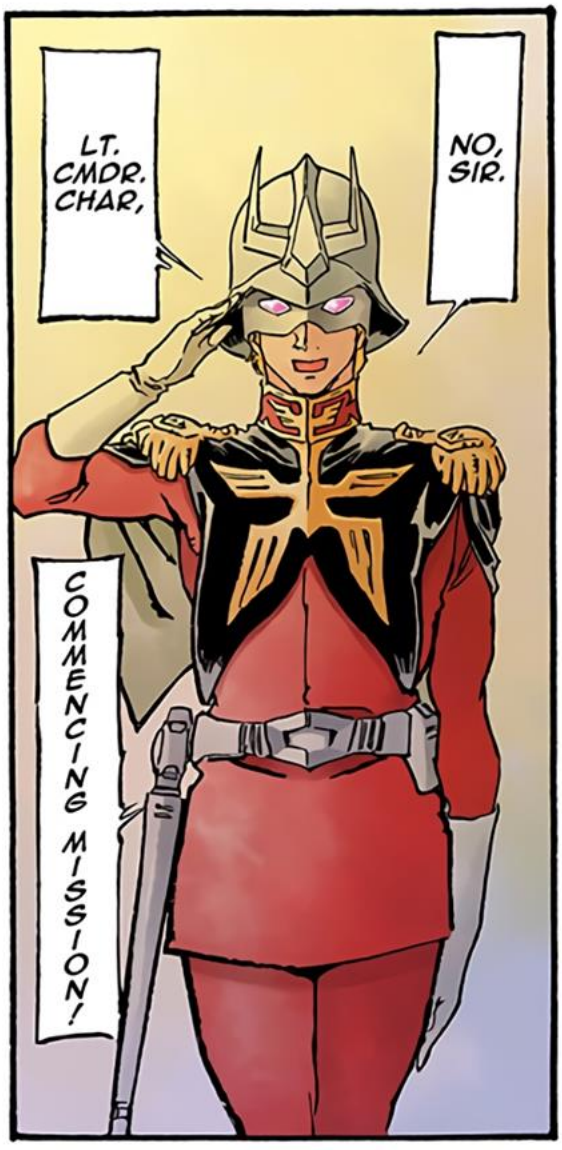
Oh

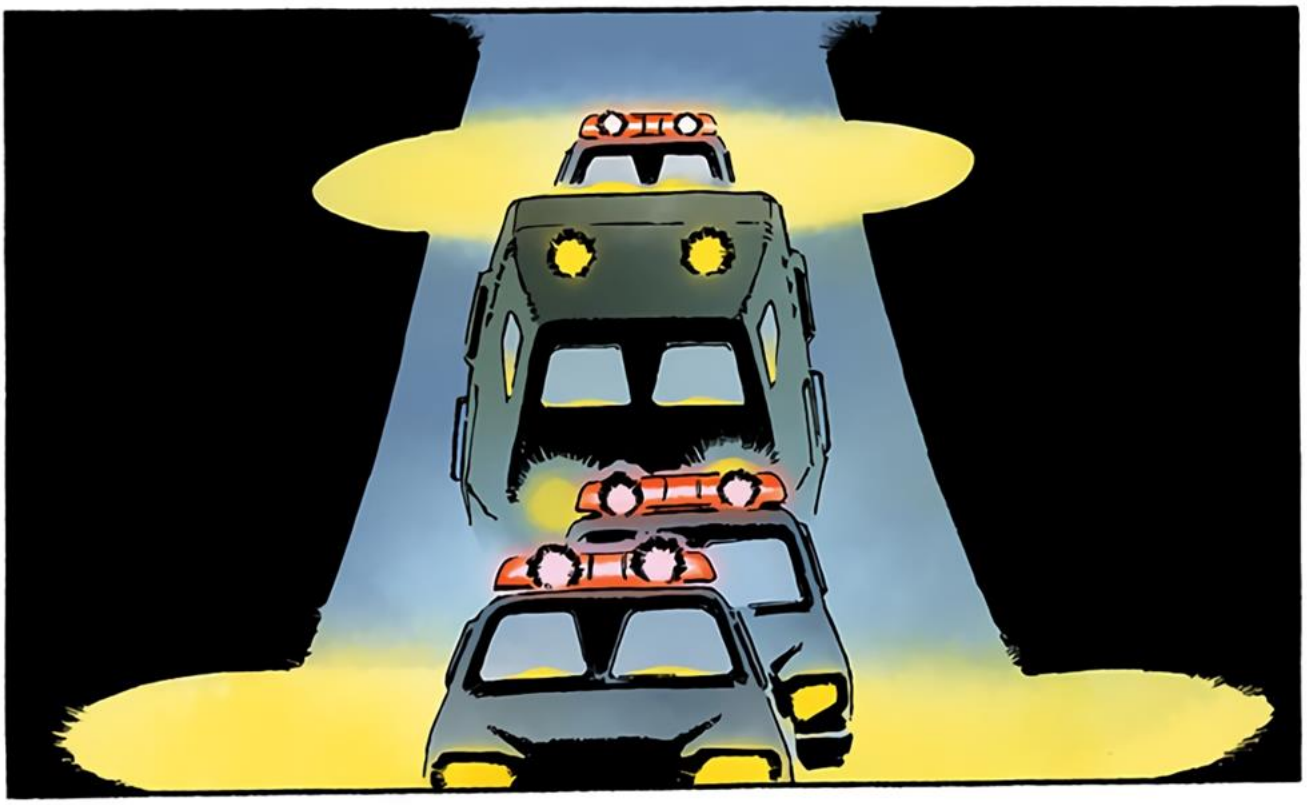
LOOK.

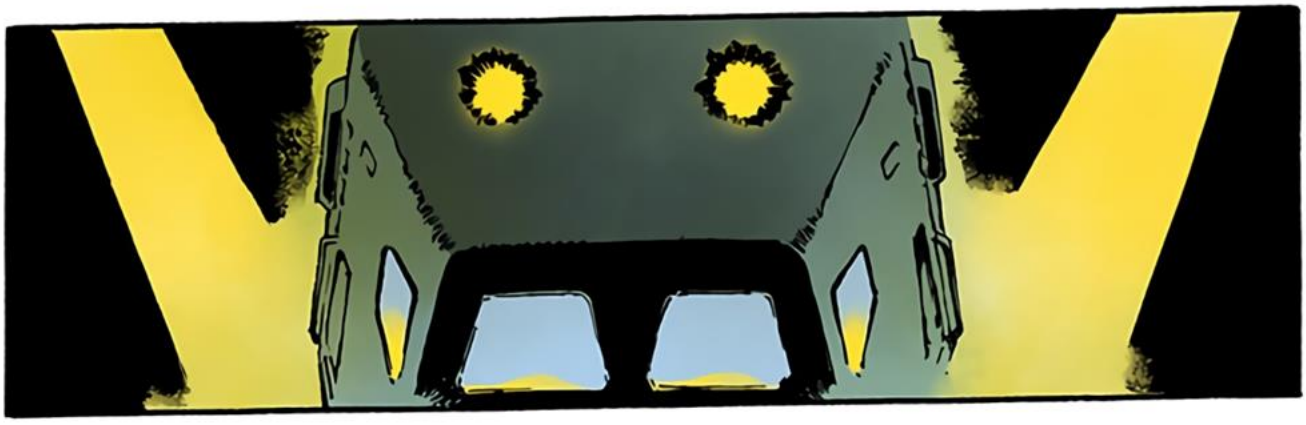
YOU MIGHT BE THE BIGGEST HERO IN ZEON,
BUT I'M NOT SENDING YOU ON A MISSION LIKE THIS BARE-HANDED.

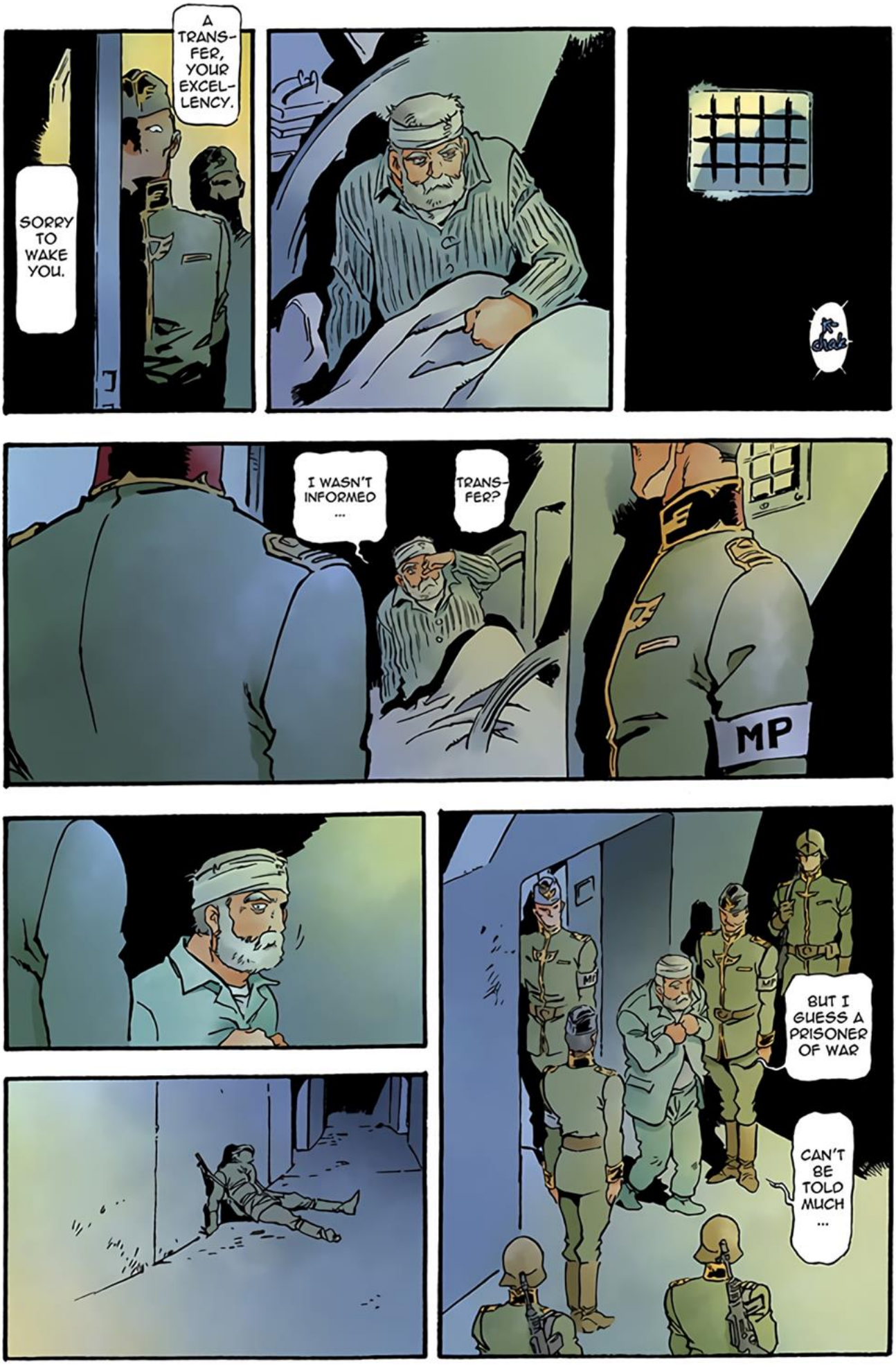

THAT'S YOUR SHIP.
A MUSAI TO SURPASS THE MUSAI.
NOT AS GRAND AS MY VALKYRIE, BUT SHE JUST HAD A TOP-OF-THE-LINE REFITTING.
I ALSO PERMIT YOU TO ACT ON YOUR DISCRETION AS THE MISSION REQUIRES.
I HANDPICKED HER CREW MYSELF AS WELL.
SHE'S ALL YOURS.
A PARTING GIFT.

IS
THERE ANY-THING ELSE YOU NEED?


NO, SIR.
LT. CMDR. CHAR,
COMMENCING MISSION!






A TRANS-FER, YOUR EXCEL-LENCY.
SORRY TO WAKE YOU.
I WASN'T INFORMED ...
TRANS-FER?
MP
BUT I GUESS A PRISONER OF WAR
CAN'T BE TOLD MUCH ...

MP
PLEASE HURRY, SIR.
WE'LL ESCORT YOU.
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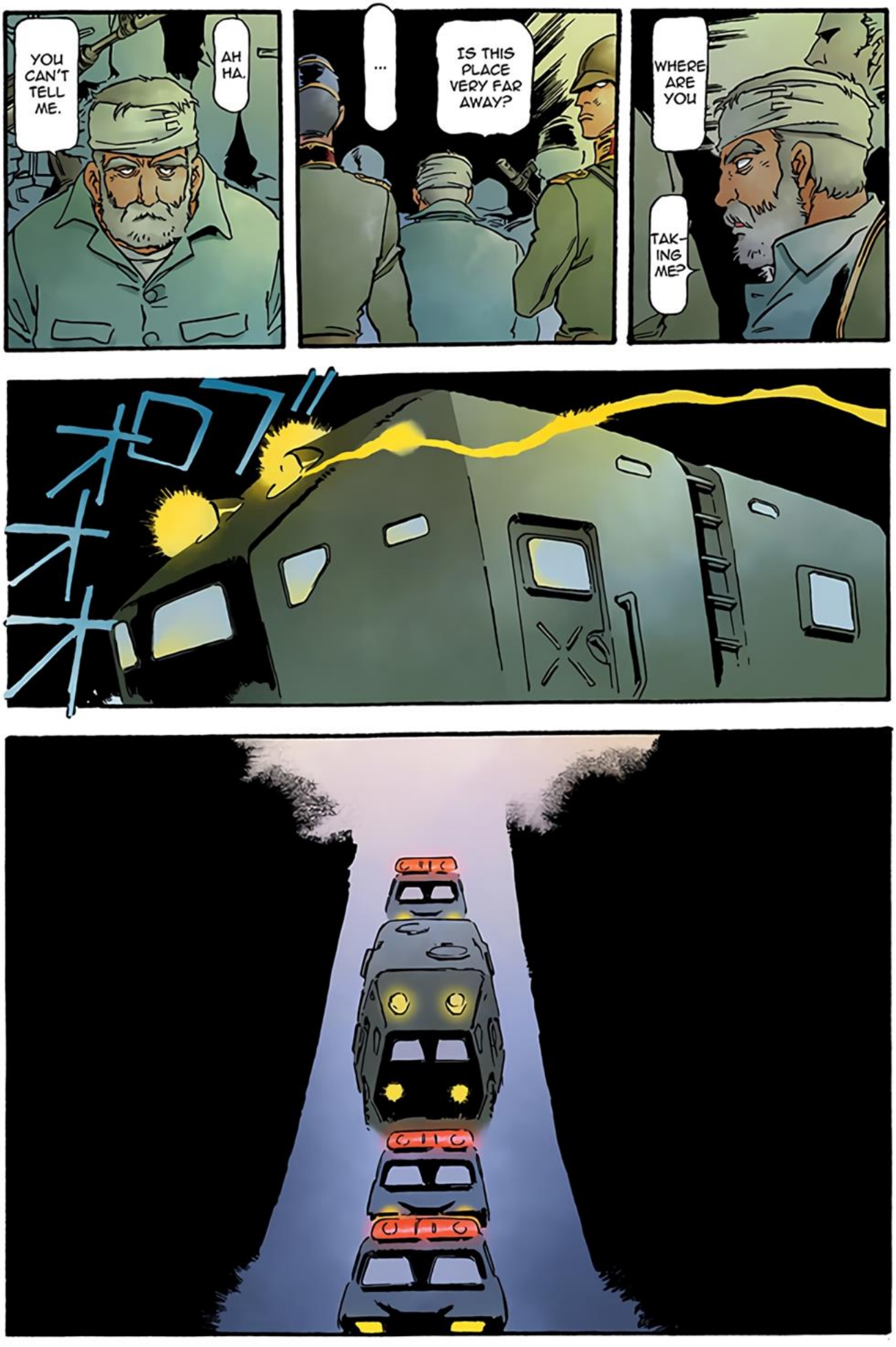
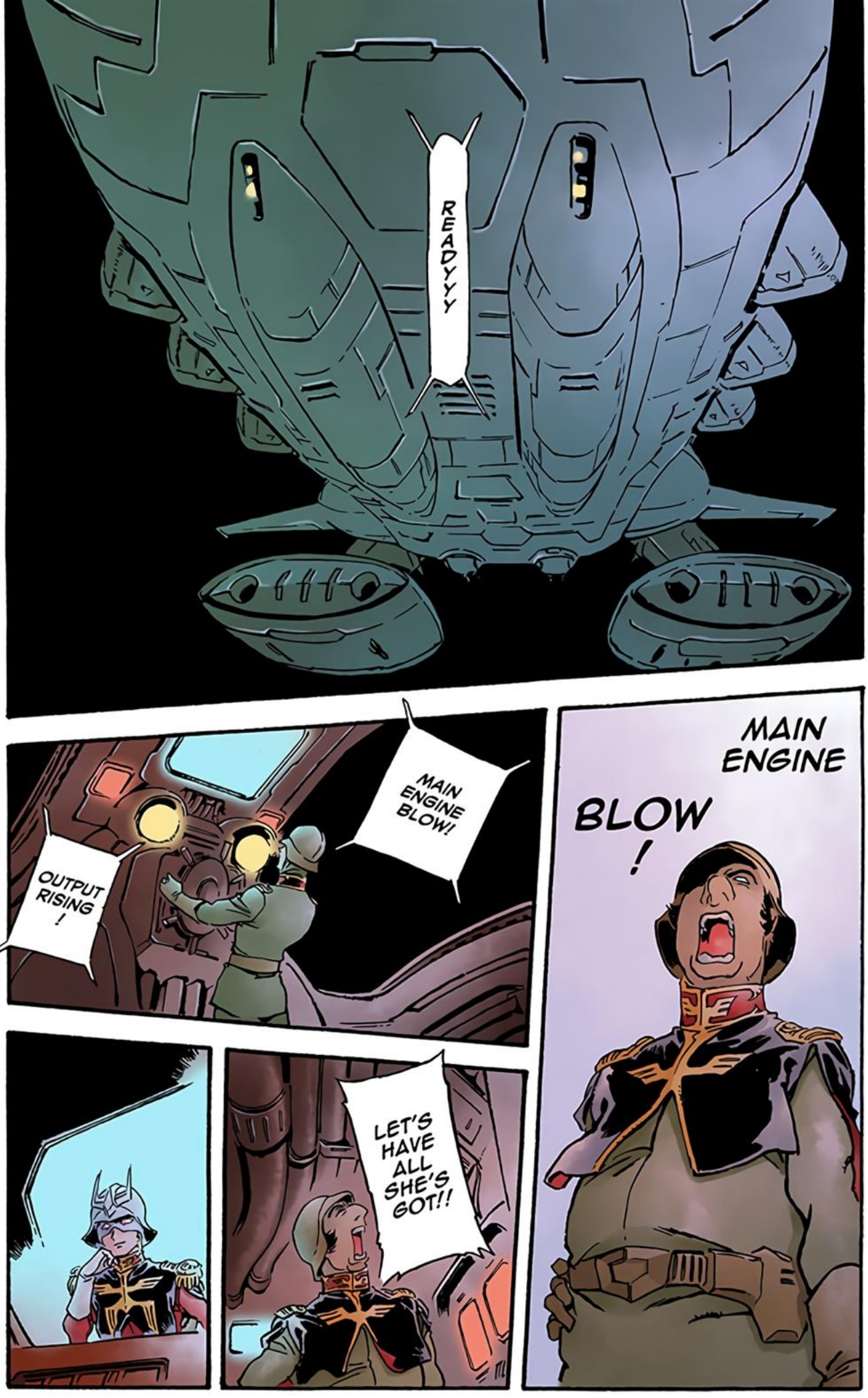
MAY I ASK A QUES-TION OR TWO?
HRM.
I'LL ANSWER IF I CAN.
MP


WHERE ARE YOU
TAK-ING ME?
IS THIS PLACE VERY FAR AWAY?
...
AH HA.
YOU CAN'T TELL ME.


READYYY
MAIN ENGINE BLOW!
OUTPUT RISING !
LET'S HAVE ALL SHE'S GOT!!
MAIN ENGINE BLOW !

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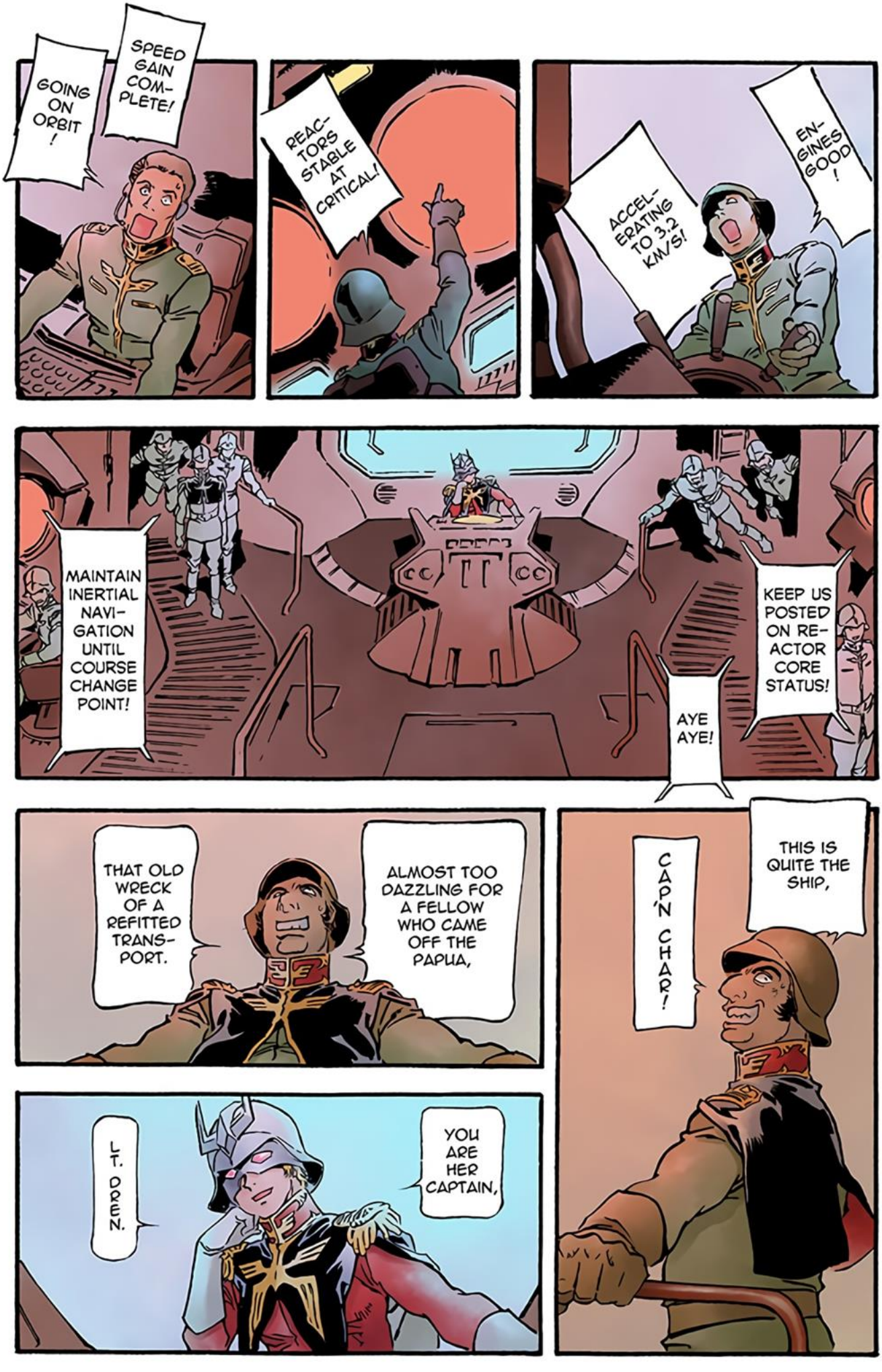
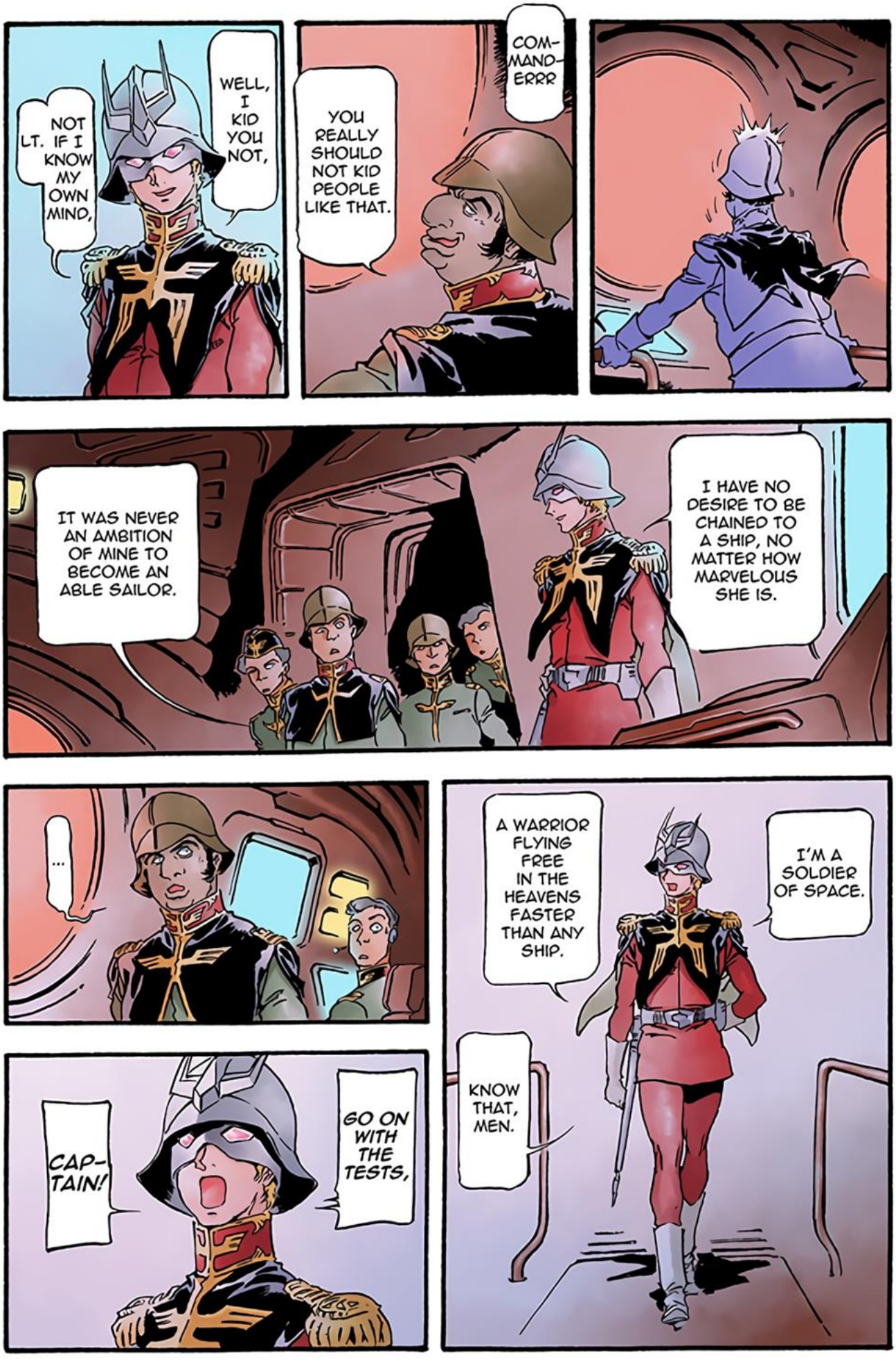
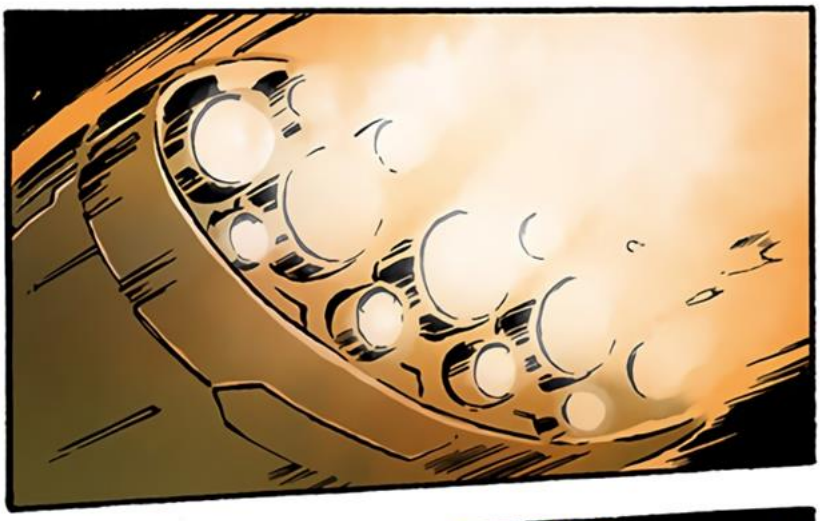

GOING ON ORBIT!
SPEED GAIN COMPLETE!
REACTORS STABLE AT CRITICAL!
ACCELERATING TO 3.2 KM/S!
ENGINES GOOD!
MAINTAIN INERTIAL NAVIGATION UNTIL COURSE CHANGE POINT!
AYE AYE!
KEEP US POSTED ON REACTOR CORE STATUS!
THAT OLD WRECK OF A REFITTED TRANSPORT.
ALMOST TOO DAZZLING FOR A FELLOW WHO CAME OFF THE PAPUA,
CAPN CHAR!
THIS IS QUITE THE SHIP,
LT. DREN.
YOU ARE HER CAPTAIN,

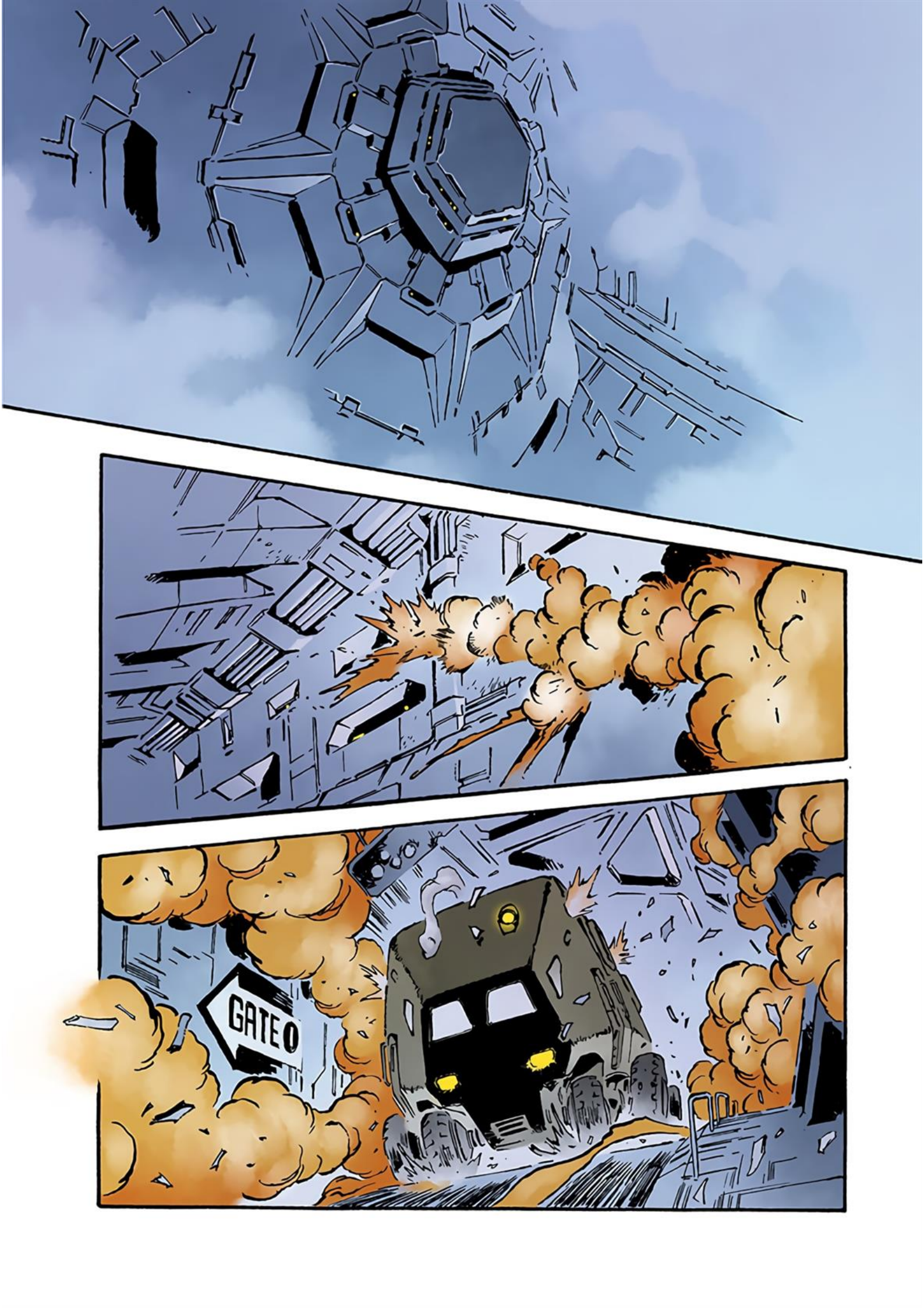

NOT LT. IF I KNOW MY OWN MIND,
WELL, I KID YOU NOT,
YOU REALLY SHOULD NOT KID PEOPLE LIKE THAT.
COM-MAND-ERRR
IT WAS NEVER AN AMBITION OF MINE TO BECOME AN ABLE SAILOR.
I HAVE NO DESIRE TO BE CHAINED TO A SHIP, NO MATTER HOW MARVELOUS SHE IS.
...
A WARRIOR FLYING FREE IN THE HEAVENS FASTER THAN ANY SHIP.
I'M A SOLDIER OF SPACE.
KNOW THAT, MEN.
CAP-TAIN!
GO ON WITH THE TESTS,

LIEUTENANT JUNIOR GRADE DREN, HEREBY HUMBLY ACCEPT THE POST OF A-ACTING CAPTAIN!
I,
TO YOUR ANTI-SHIP
COMBAT DRILLS! NOW!! ALL HANDS,
DON'T YOU DARE TREAT THIS LIKE A DRILL!
DO EVERY LAST THING AS YOU WOULD IN A REAL FIGHT!
LADS!
STATIONS!!

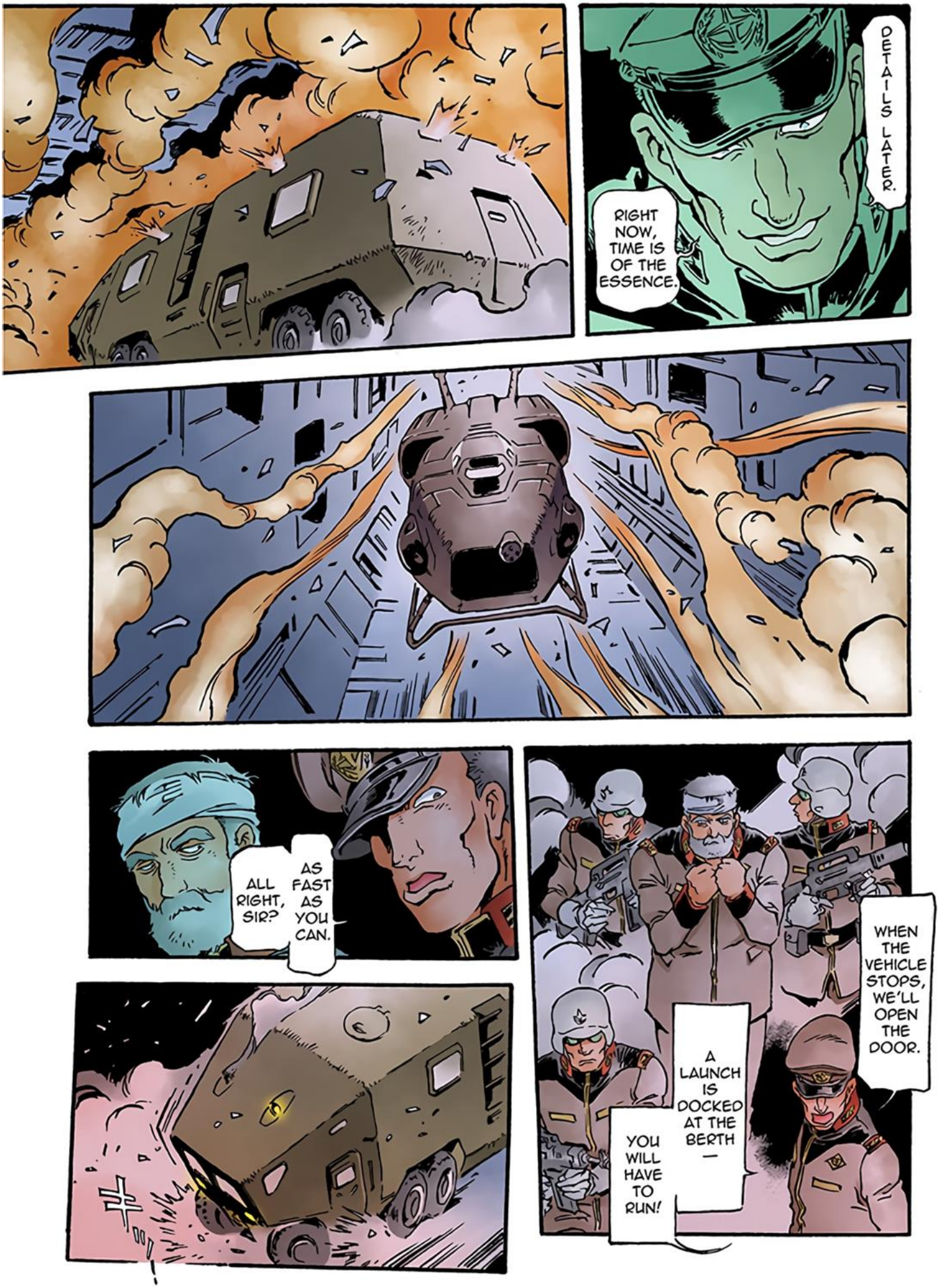


SETTING COURSE FOR THE BATTLE ZONE! TURN 90 DEGREES!

FULL SPEED AHEAD !!!


GATE 0

SIR,
HERE!
ARE YOU IN CHARGE OF THIS OPERATION?!
WHAT'S YOUR NAME?
WHO IS YOUR C.O.?!
SADLY, WE ONLY HAVE A FIELD OFFICER'S UNIFORM.
PLEASE CHANGE INTO IT RIGHT AWAY.


DETAILS LATER.
RIGHT NOW, TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE.
ALL RIGHT, SIR?
AS FAST AS YOU CAN.
WHEN THE VEHICLE STOPS, WE'LL OPEN THE DOOR.
A LAUNCH IS DOCKED AT THE BERTH —
YOU WILL HAVE TO RUN!

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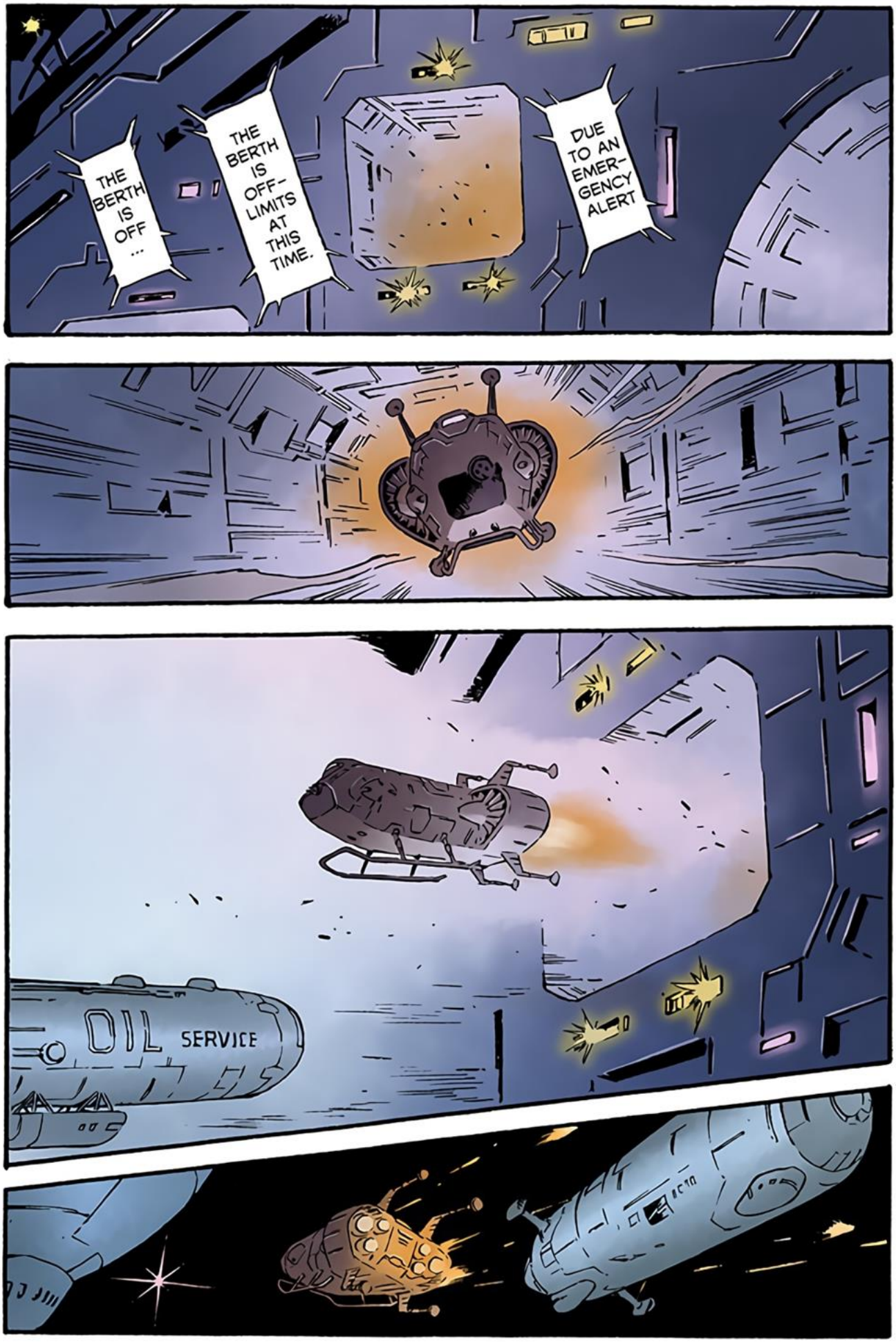
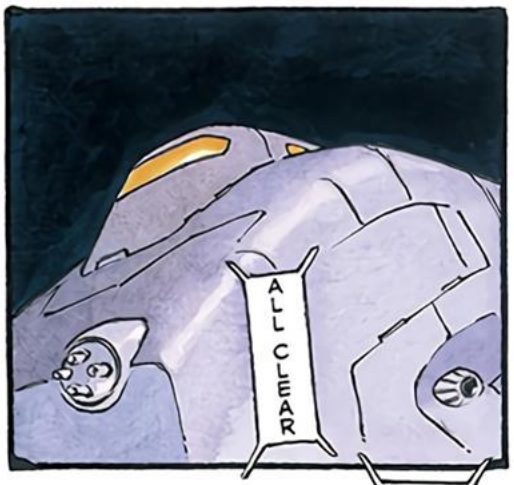

THE BERTH IS OFF...
THE BERTH IS OFF-LIMITS AT THIS TIME.
DUE TO AN EMER-GENCY ALERT
OIL SERVICE


ALL CLEAR

WE HAVE THE GEN-ERAL.
OFF TO REN-DEZ-VOUS POINT.

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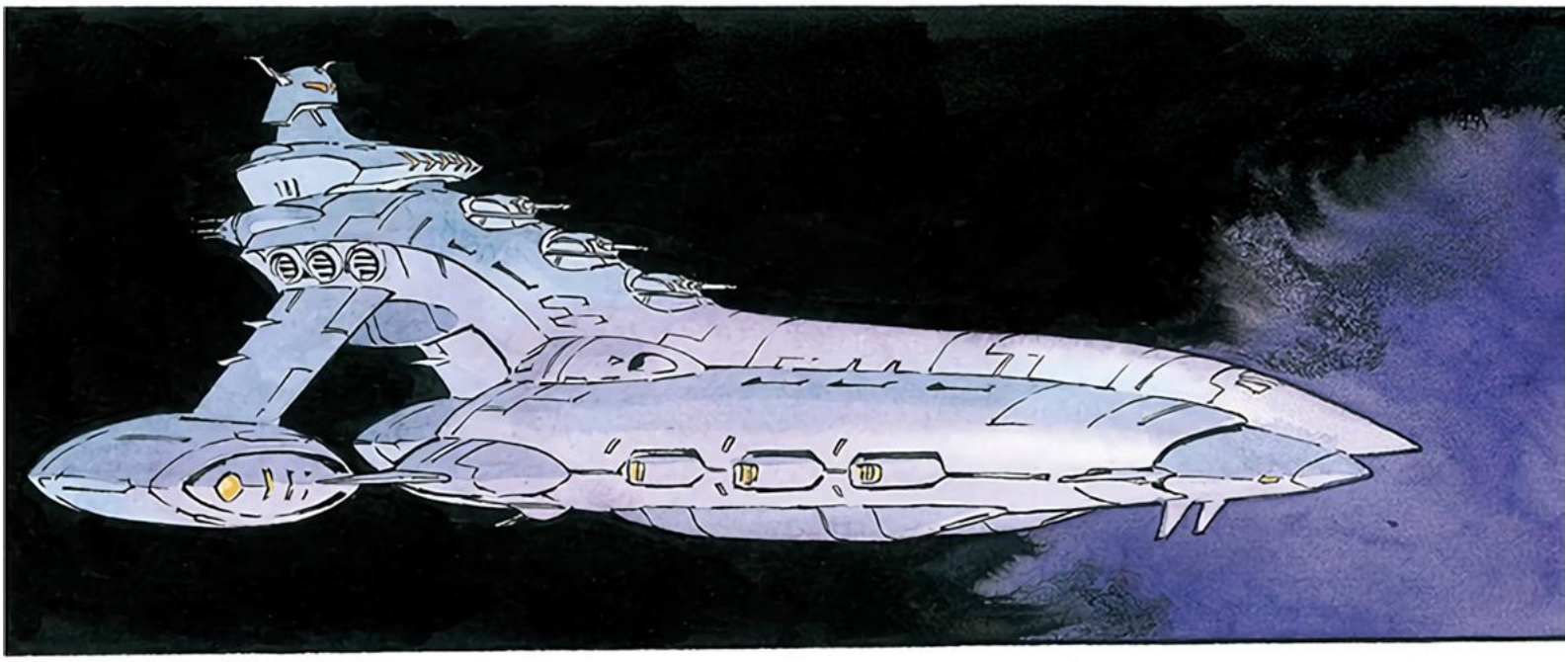
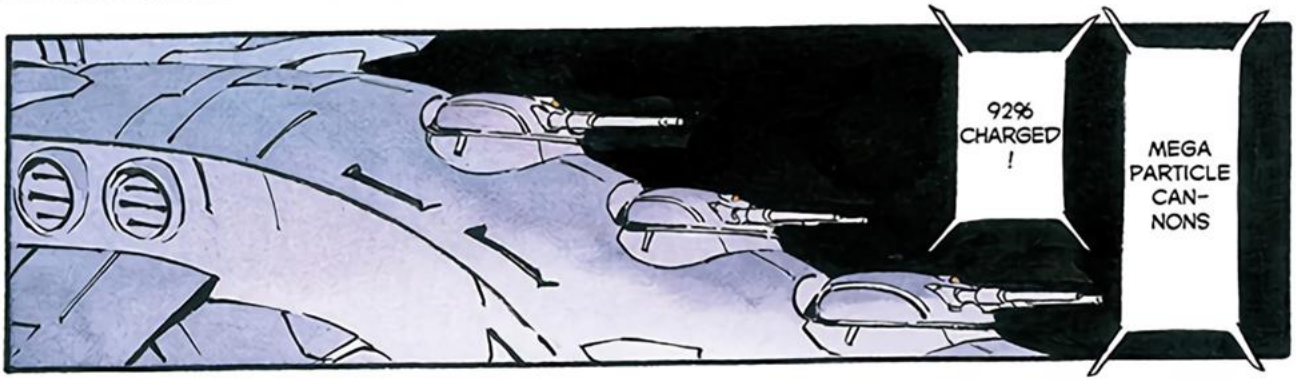
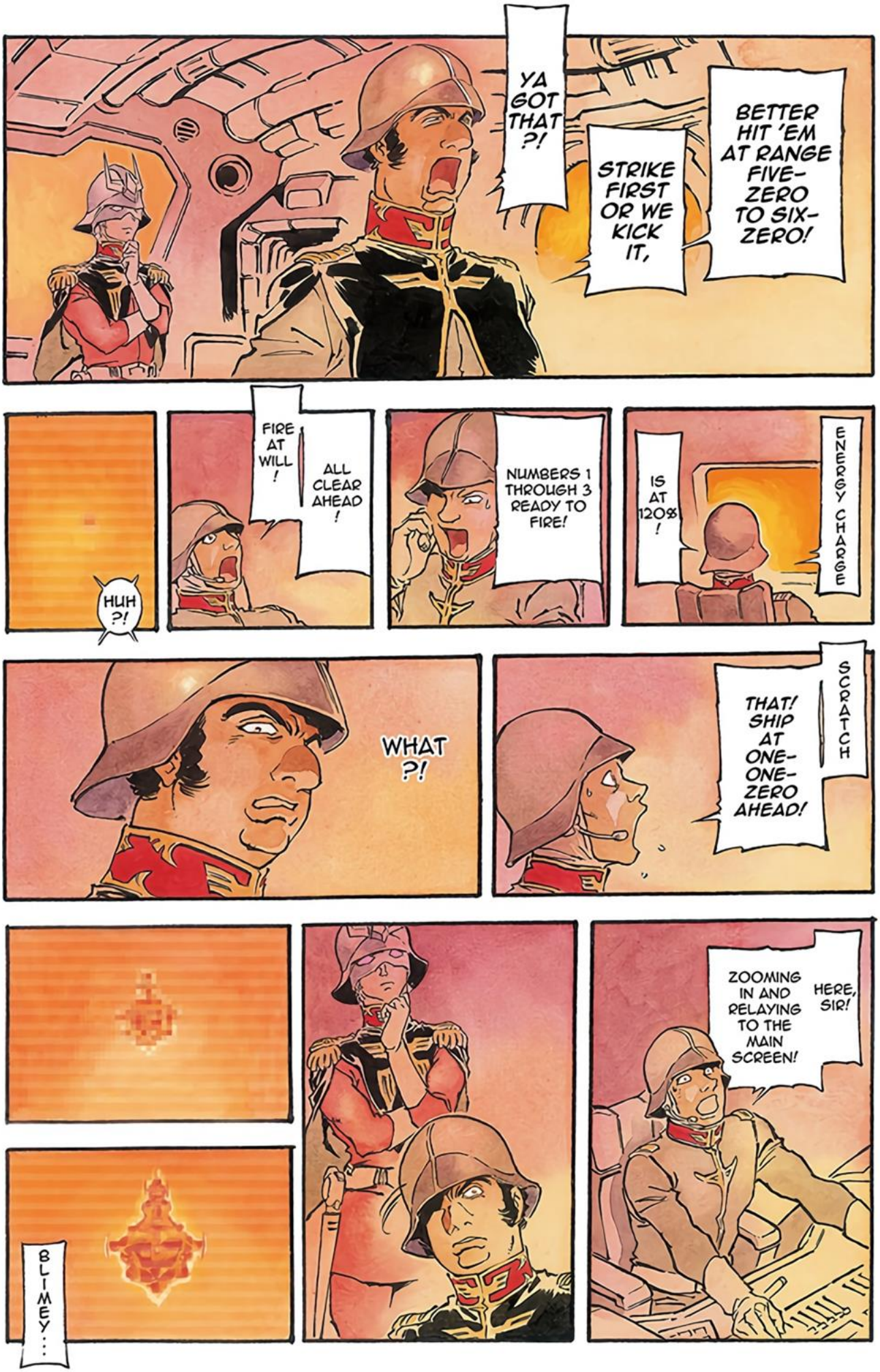
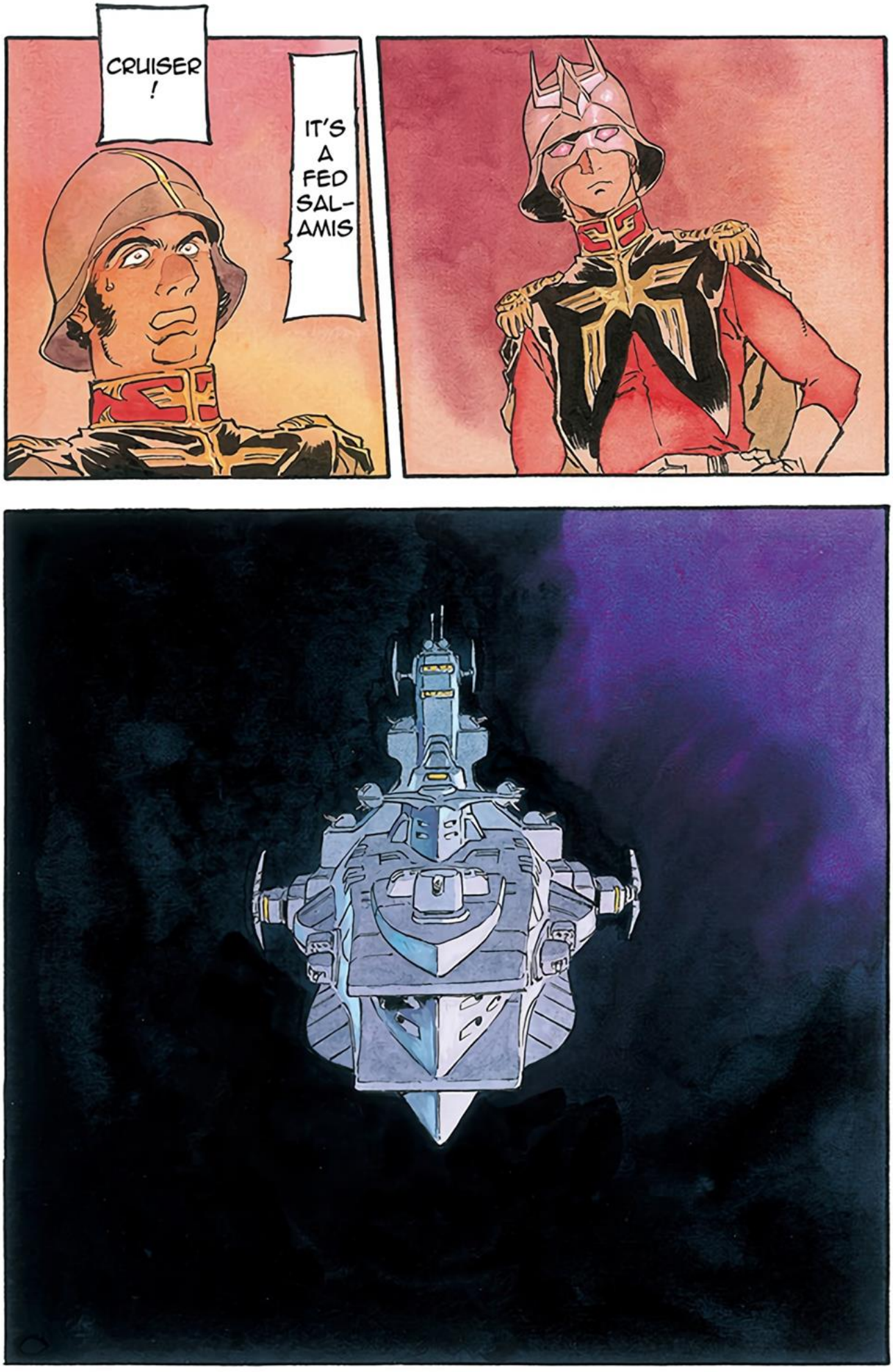


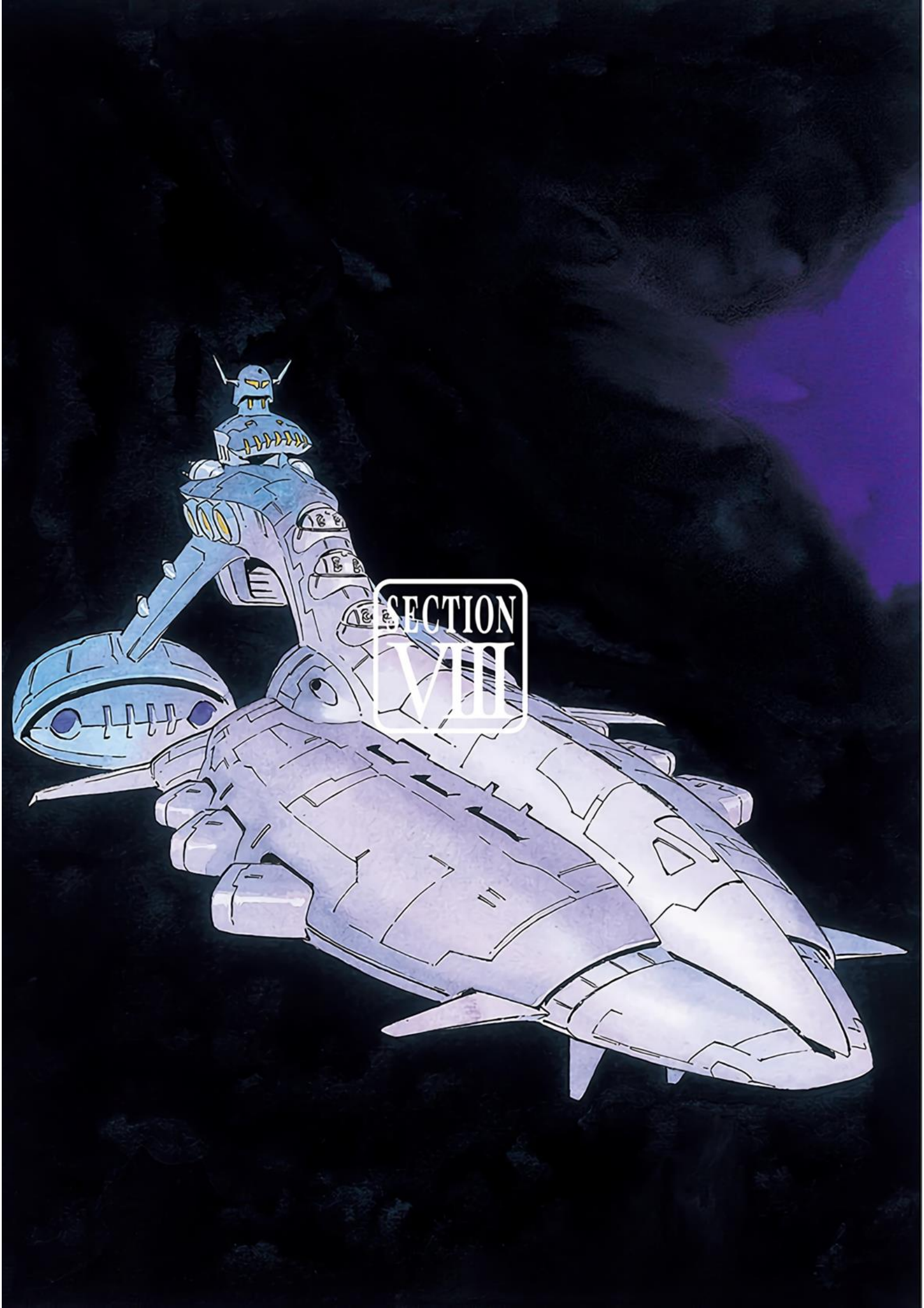

92% CHARGED!
MEGA PARTICLE CANNONS

ARE READY TO FIRE!
ANTI-SHIP MISSILES

THEN FOLLOW THEM UP WITH THE MEGA PARTICLE CANNONS!
FIRE THREE MISSILES AT ONCE!
GOOD!


BETTER HIT 'EM AT RANGE FIVE-ZERO TO SIX-ZERO!
STRIKE FIRST OR WE KICK IT,
YA GOT THAT ?!
ENERGY CHARGE
IS AT 120% !
NUMBERS 1 THROUGH 3 READY TO FIRE!
ALL CLEAR AHEAD !
FIRE AT WILL !
HUH ?!
SCRATCH
THAT! SHIP AT ONE-ONE-ZERO AHEAD!
WHAT ?!
HERE, SIR!
ZOOMING IN AND RELAYING TO THE MAIN SCREEN!
8LIMEY...


CRUISER !
IT'S A FED SAL-AMIS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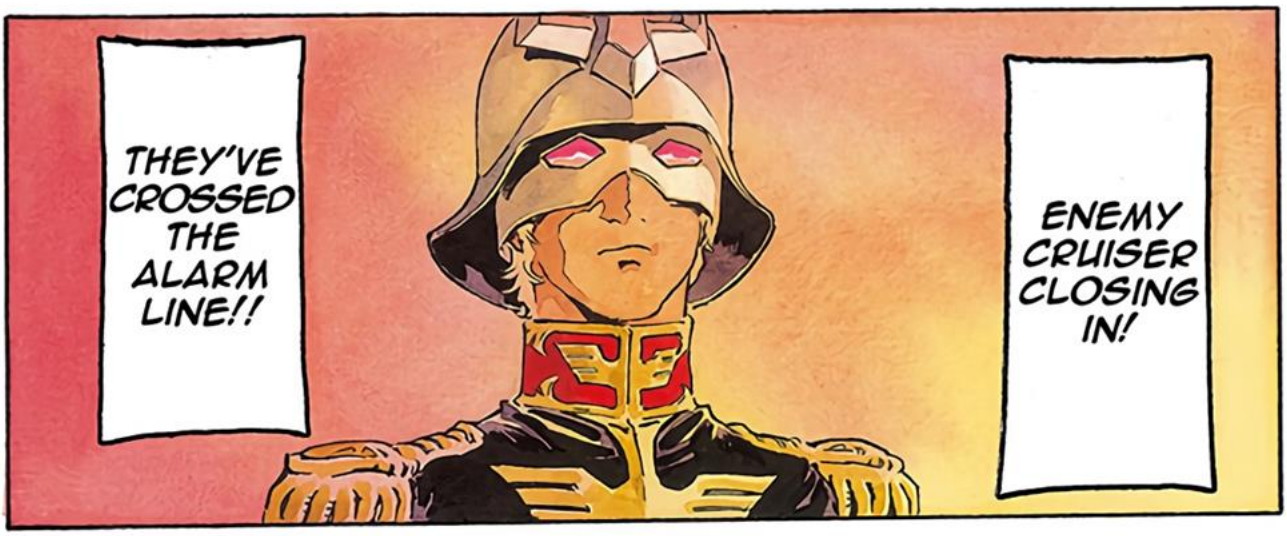
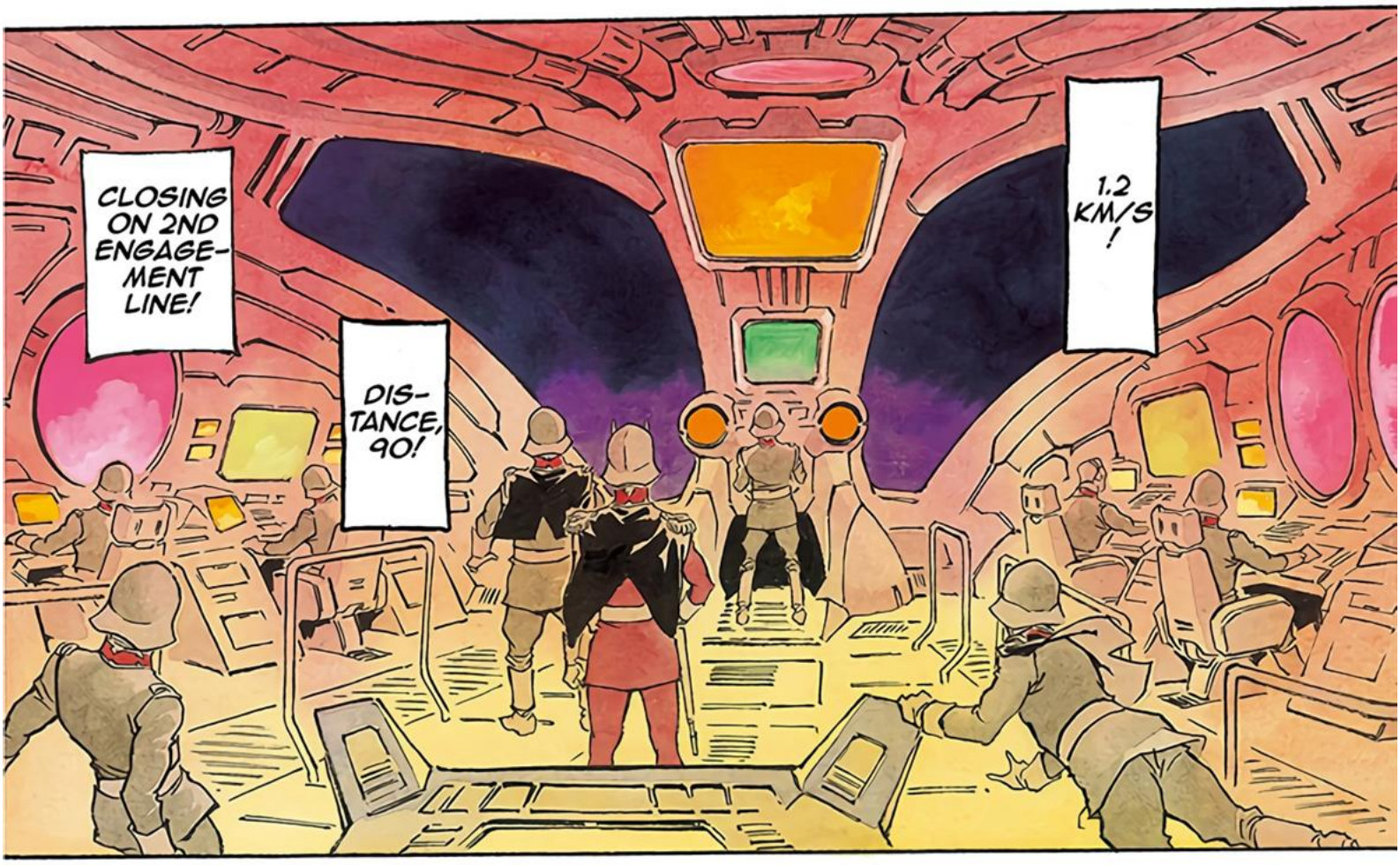
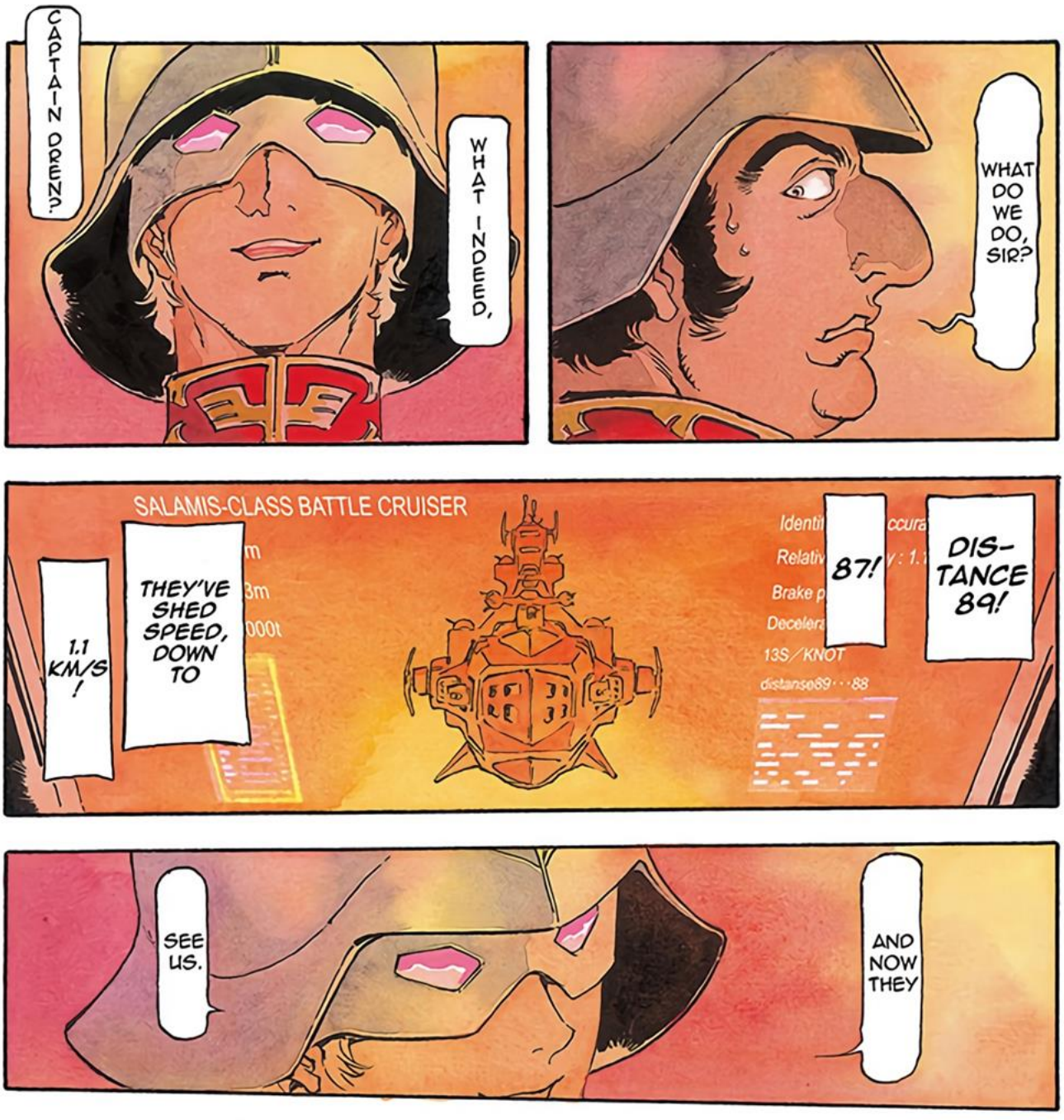
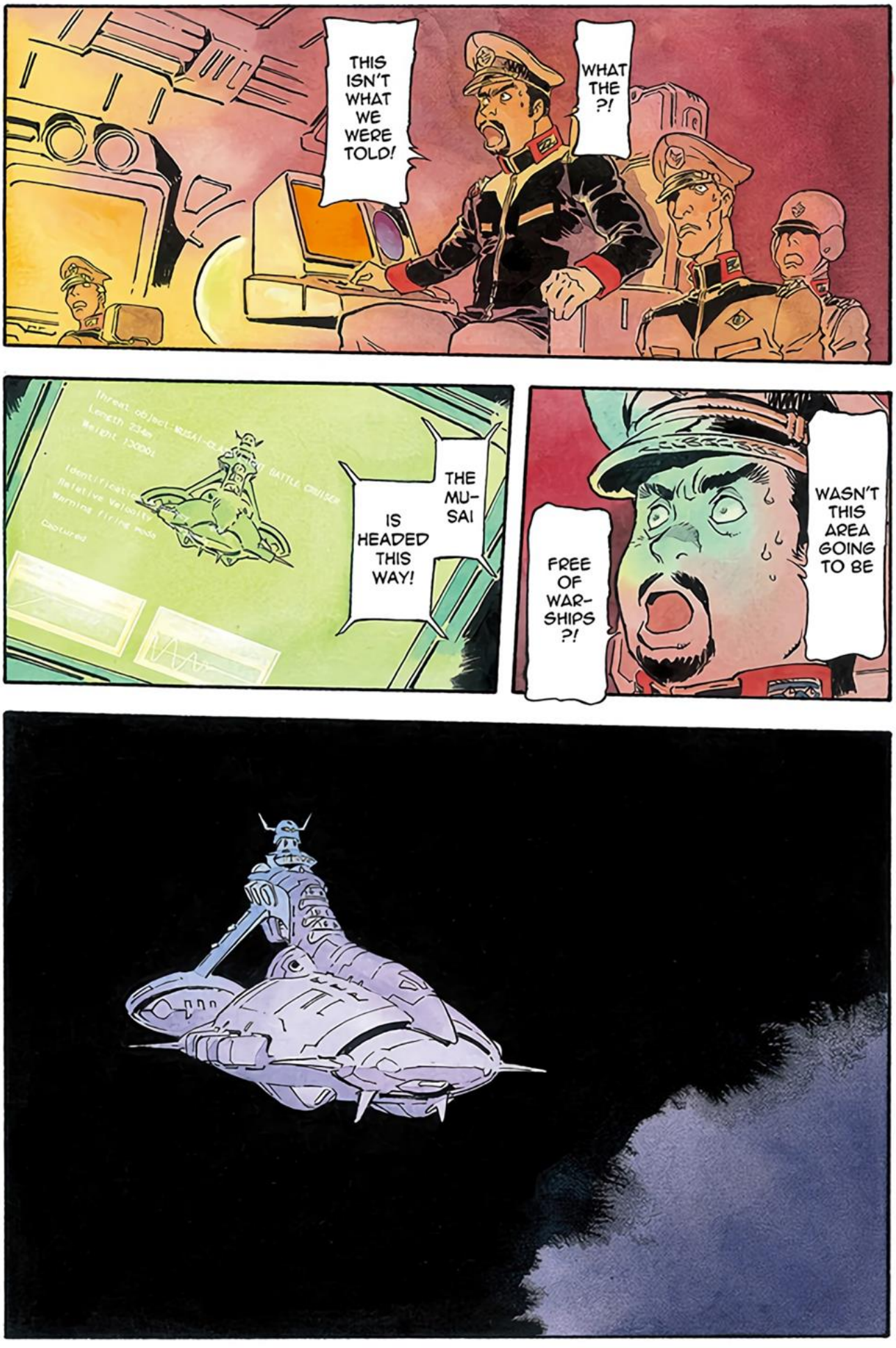
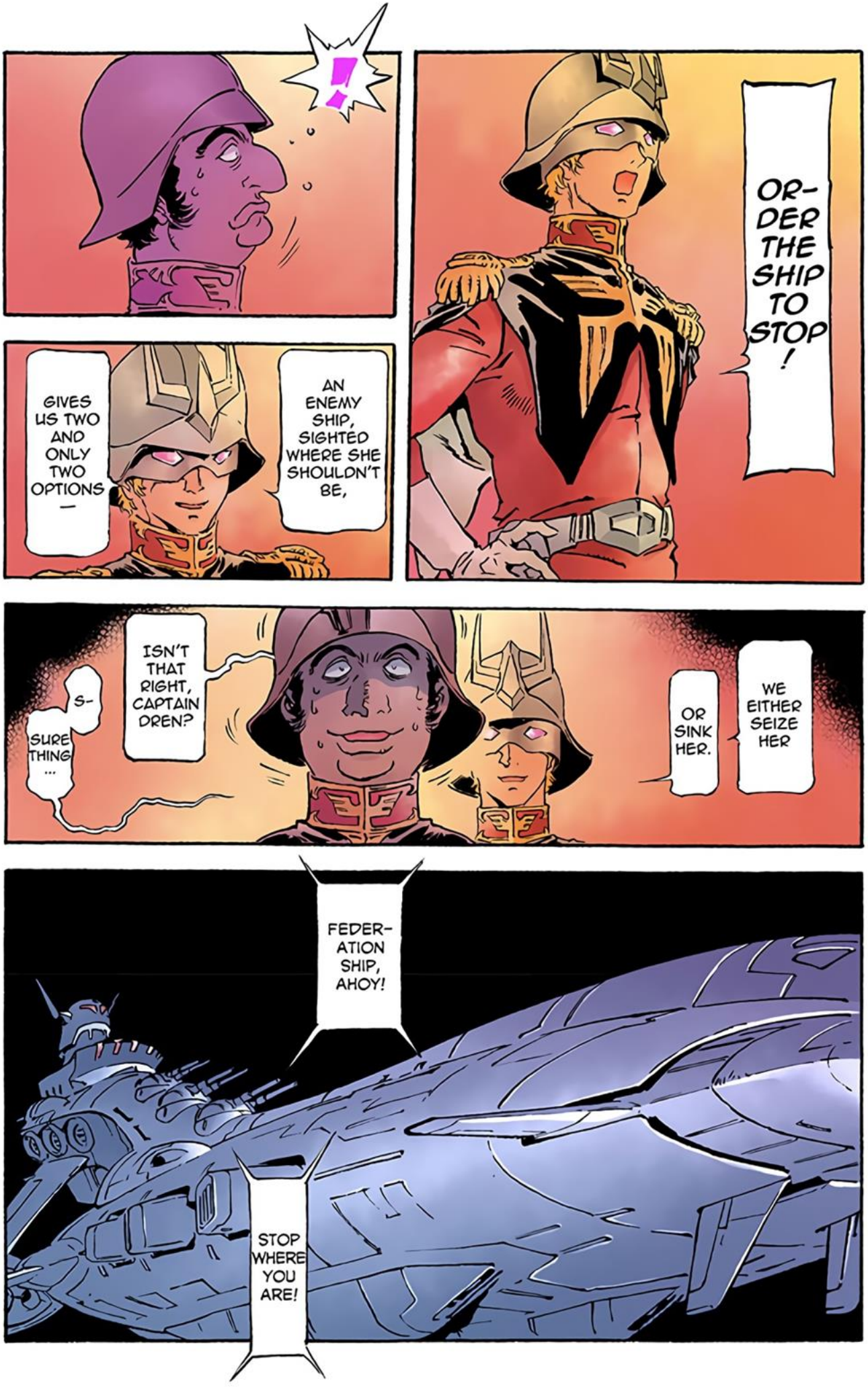

THEY'VE CROSSED THE ALARM LINE!!
ENEMY CRUISER CLOSING IN!

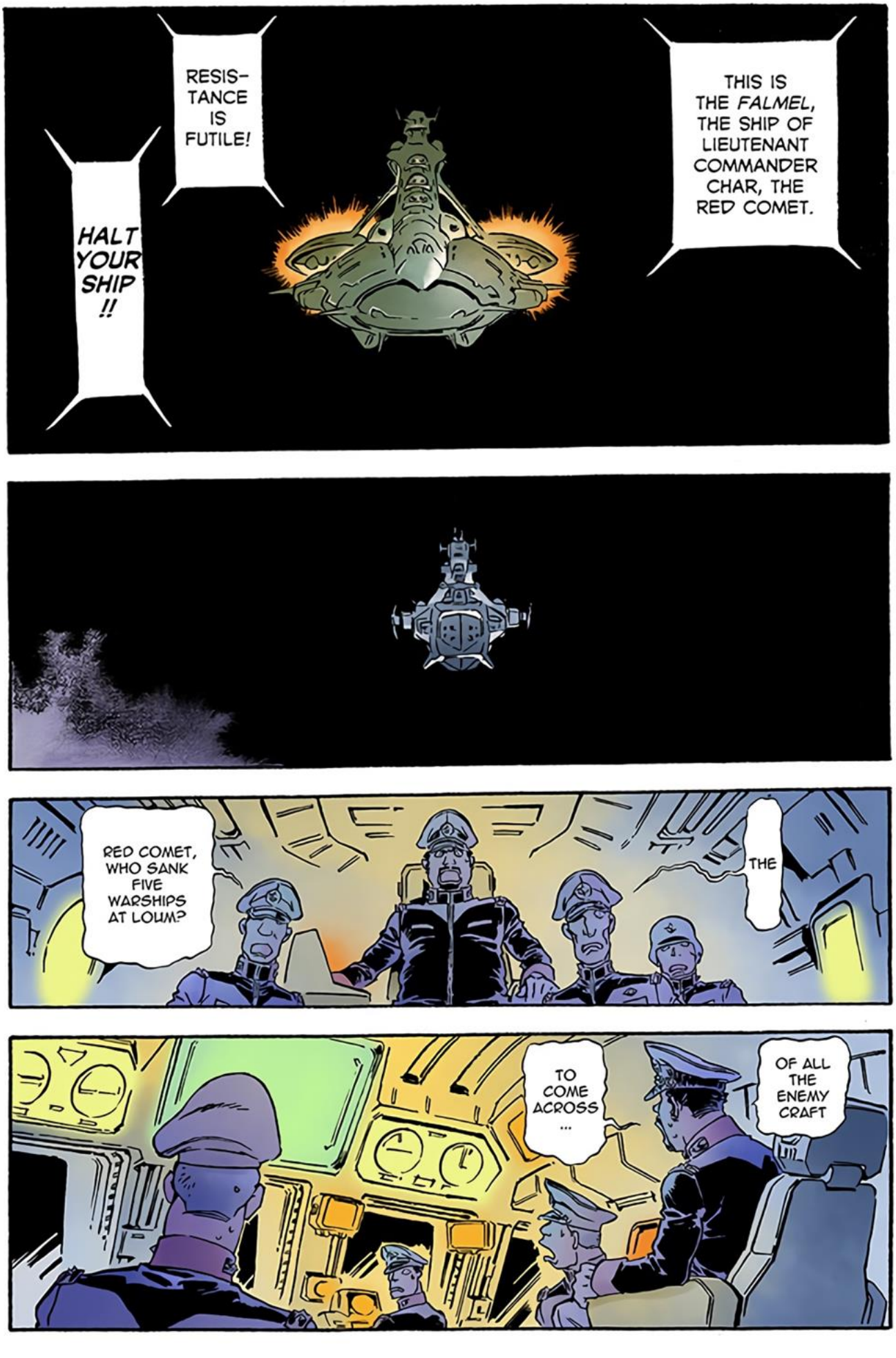
THEY AREN'T SLOWING DOWN!
THEY'VE REACHED THE 3RD ENGAGE-MENT LINE!

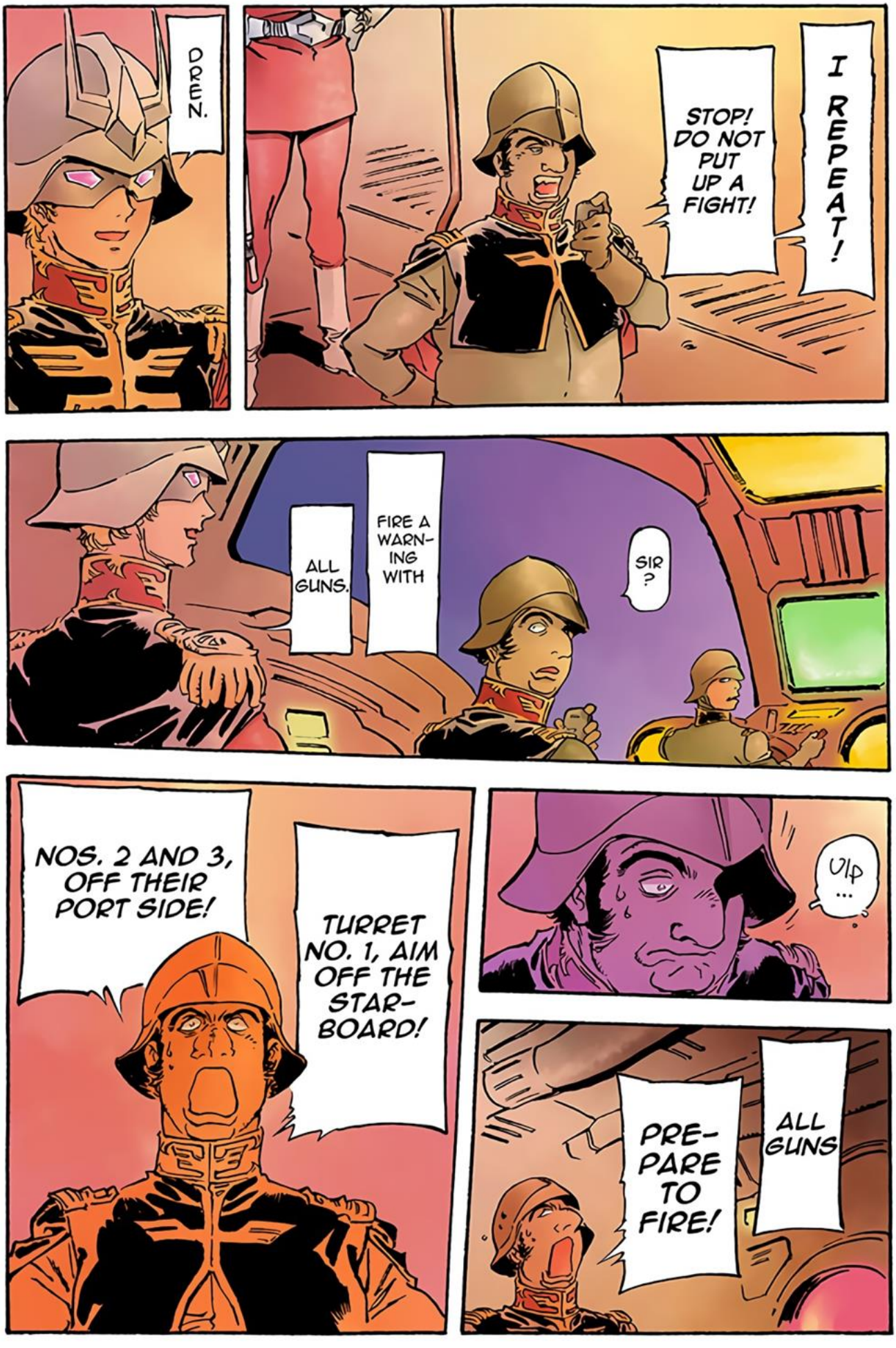

CLOSING ON 2ND ENGAGE-MENT LINE!
DIS-TANCE, 90!
1.2 KM/S!

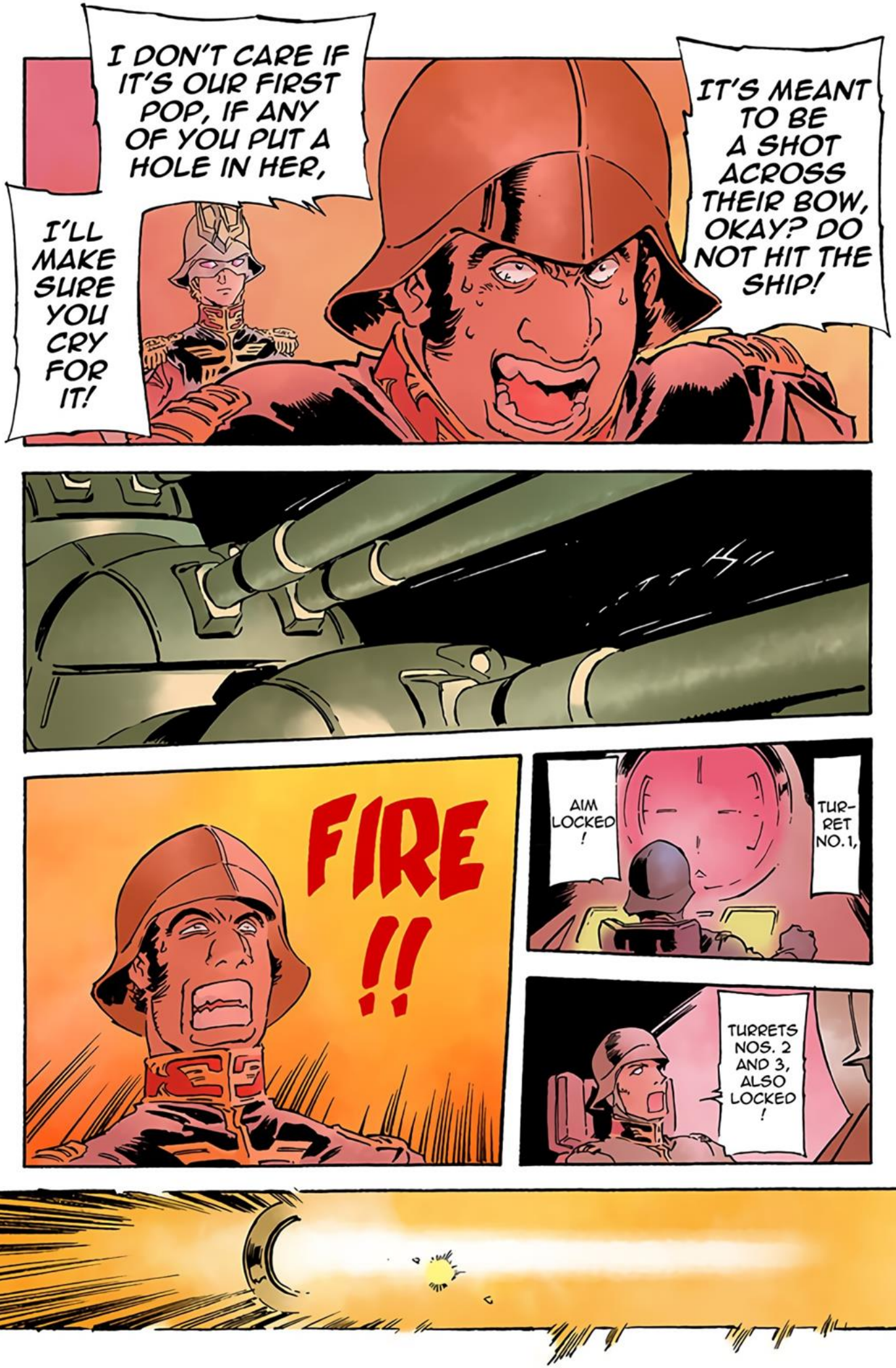

CAPTAIN DREN?
WHAT INDEED,
WHAT DO WE DO, SIR?
SALAMIS-CLASS BATTLE CRUISER
1.1 KM/S!
THEY'VE SHED SPEED, DOWN TO
87!
DIS-TANCE 89!
SEE US.
AND NOW THEY

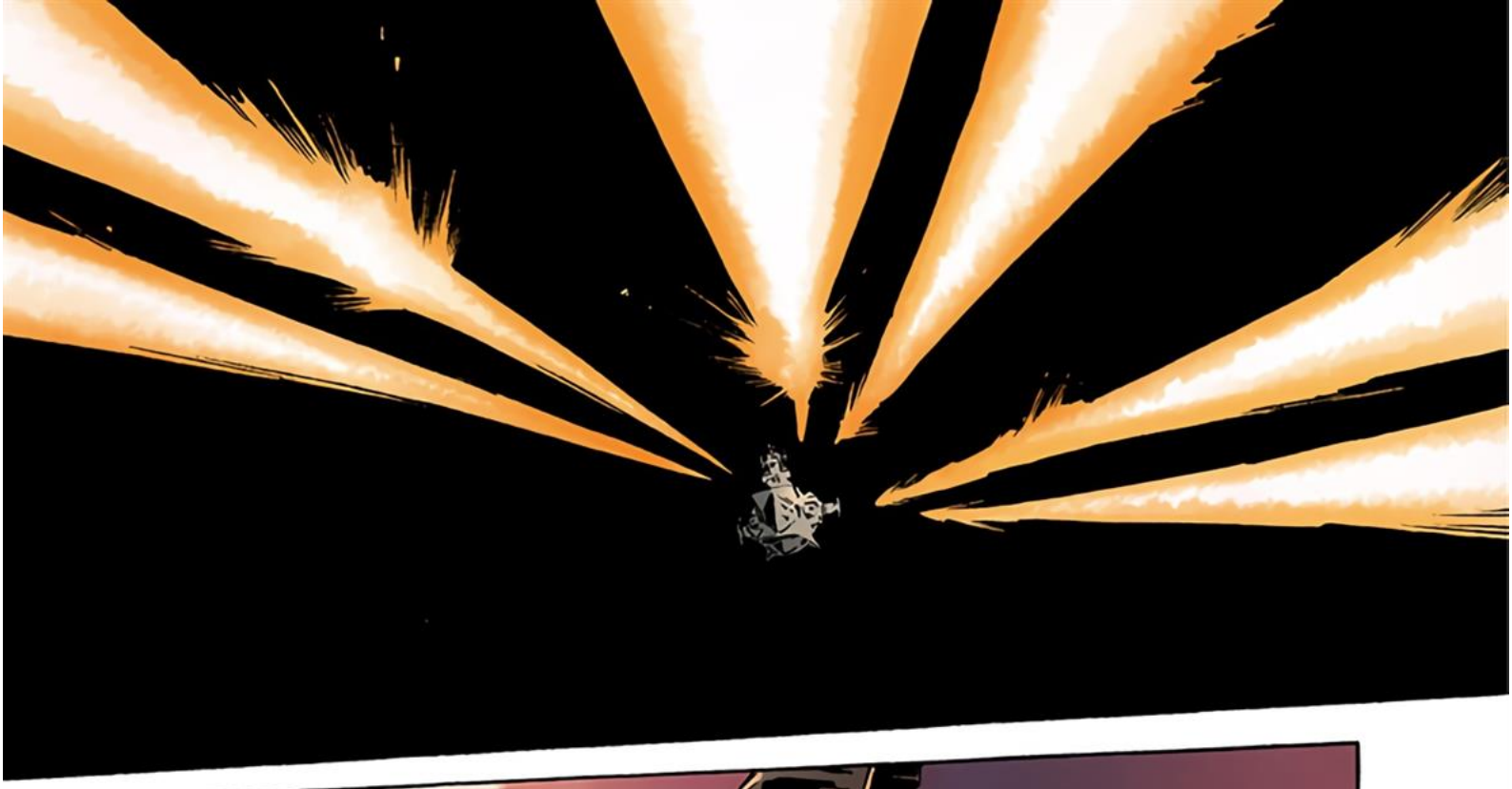

THIS ISN'T WHAT WE WERE TOLD!
WHAT THE ?!
THE MU-SAI IS HEADED THIS WAY!
WASN'T THIS AREA GOING TO BE FREE OF WAR-SHIPS ?!


!
AN ENEMY SHIP, SIGHTED WHERE SHE SHOULDN'T BE,
GIVES US TWO AND ONLY TWO OPTIONS —
OR-DER THE SHIP TO STOP!
WE EITHER SEIZE HER
OR SINK HER.
ISN'T THAT RIGHT, CAPTAIN DREN?
S-
SURE THING ...
FEDER-ATION SHIP, AHOY!
STOP WHERE YOU ARE!

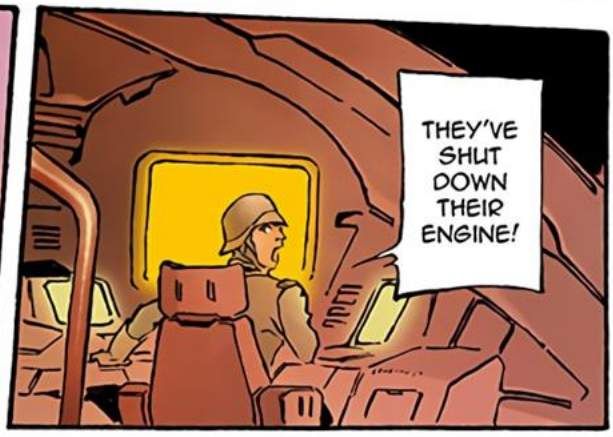

HALT YOUR SHIP !!
RESIS-TANCE IS FUTILE!
THIS IS THE *FALMEL*, THE SHIP OF LIEUTENANT COMMANDER CHAR, THE RED COMET.
RED COMET, WHO SANK FIVE WARSHIPS AT LOUM?
THE
TO COME ACROSS ...
OF ALL THE ENEMY CRAFT


DREN.
I REPEAT!
STOP! DO NOT PUT UP A FIGHT!
SIR?
FIRE A WARN-ING WITH
ALL GUNS.
UH...
ALL GUNS
PRE-PARE TO FIRE!
TURRET NO. 1, AIM OFF THE STAR-BOARD!
NOS. 2 AND 3, OFF THEIR PORT SIDE!


I DON'T CARE IF IT'S OUR FIRST POP, IF ANY OF YOU PUT A HOLE IN HER,
I'LL MAKE SURE YOU CRY FOR IT!
IT'S MEANT TO BE A SHOT ACROSS THEIR BOW, OKAY? DO NOT HIT THE SHIP!
FIRE !!
AIM LOCKED !
TUR-RET NO. 1,
TURRETS NOS. 2 AND 3, ALSO LOCKED !



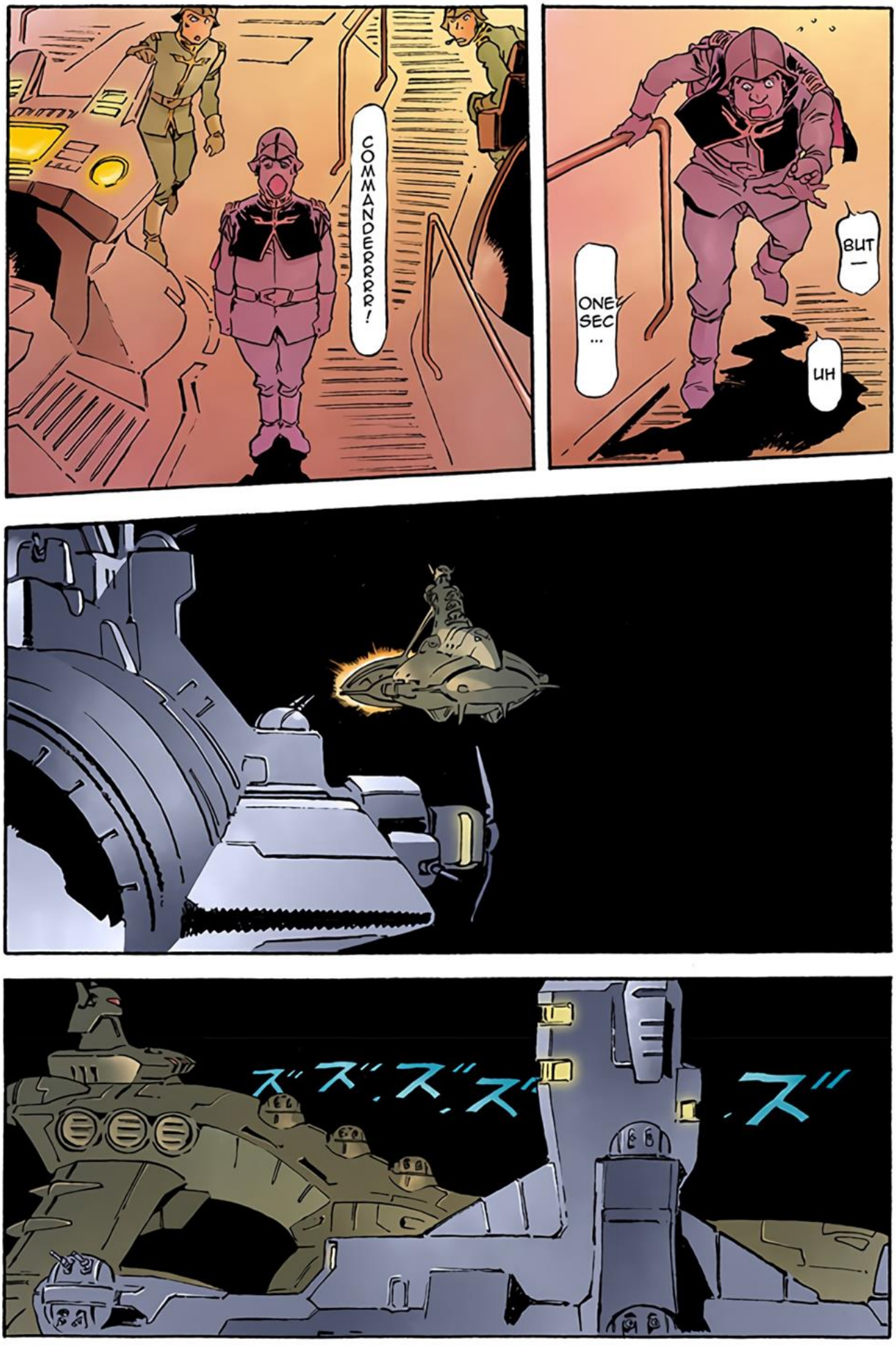
WELL DONE, MEN.
HUFF HUFF
HUFF HUFF
OK!
HUFF HUFF


THEY'VE SHUT DOWN THEIR ENGINE!

Wha?!!

TAKE US ALONG-SIDE!
I'LL TAKE MASTER SARGE DENIM AS BACKUP.

I'M GOING OUT IN MY ZAKU.
DREN—


COMMANDERRRR!
ONE SEC ...
BUT —
UH
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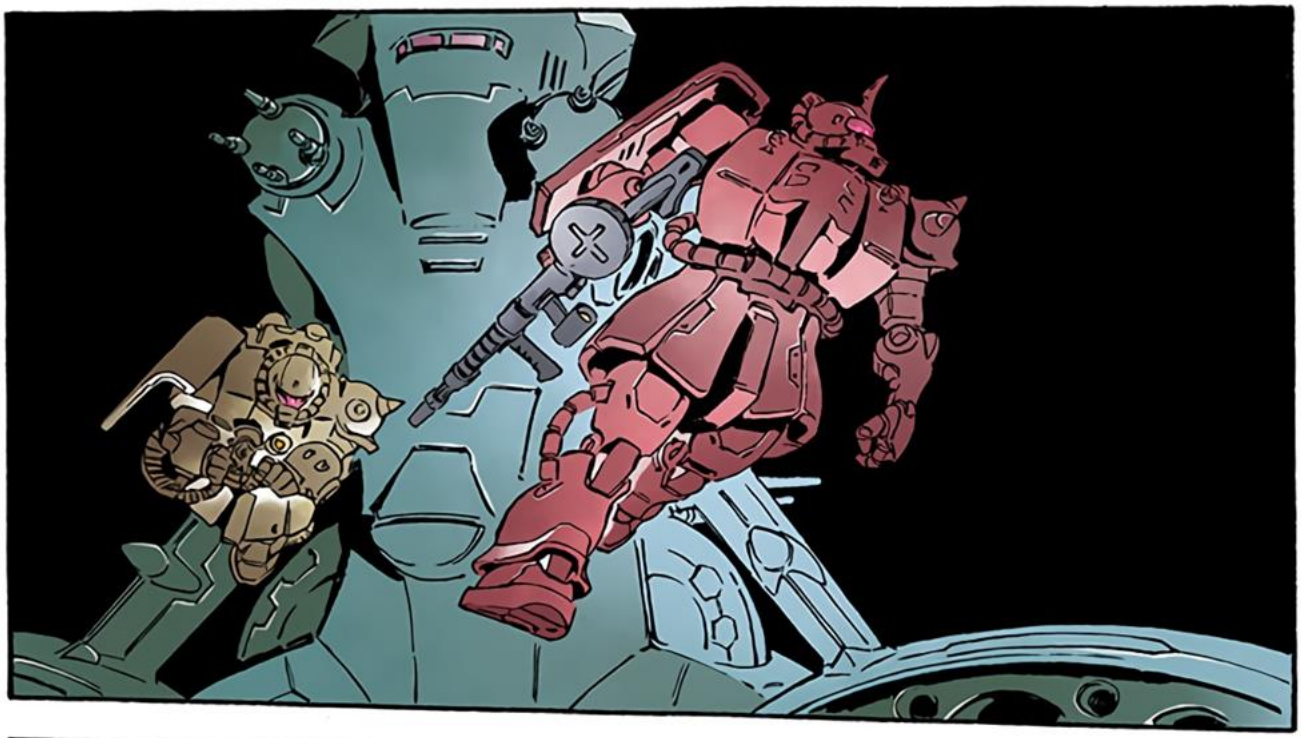
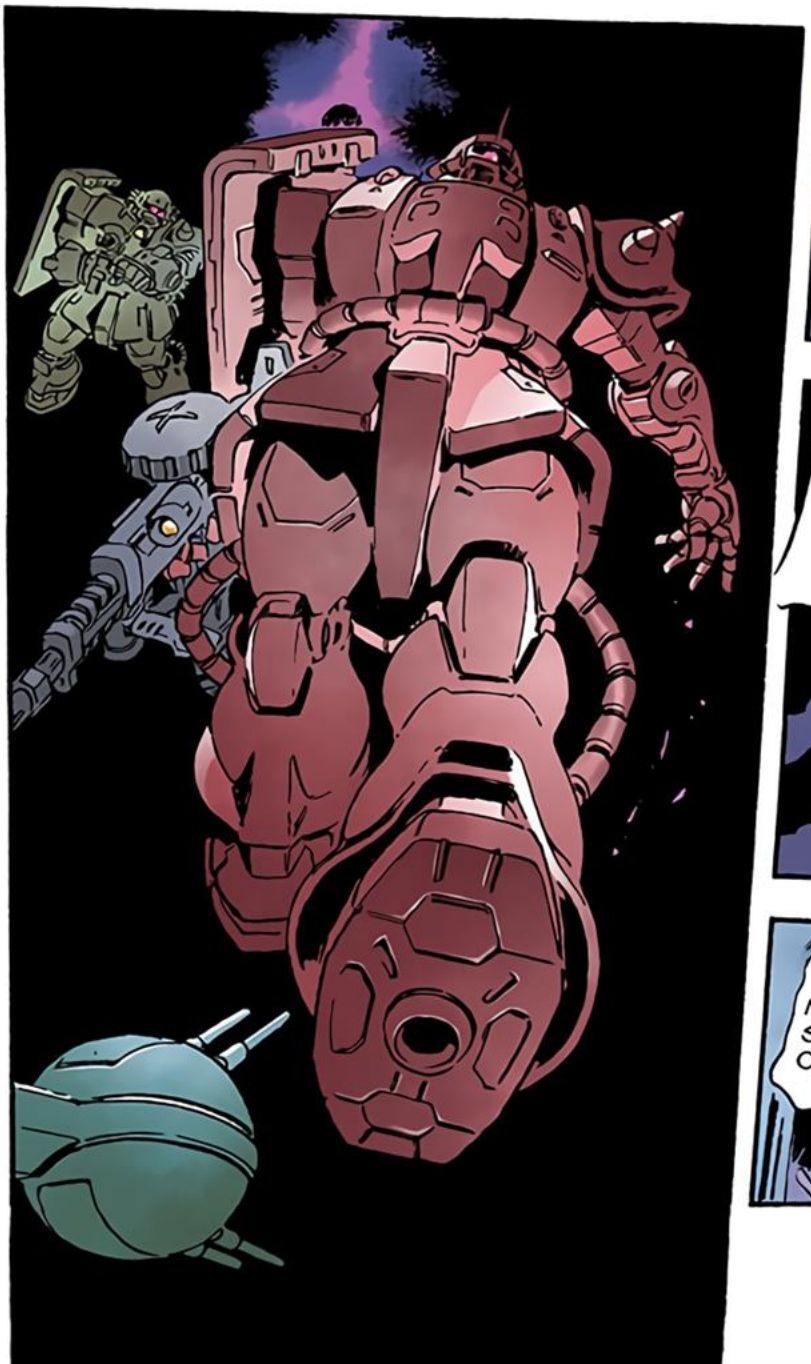


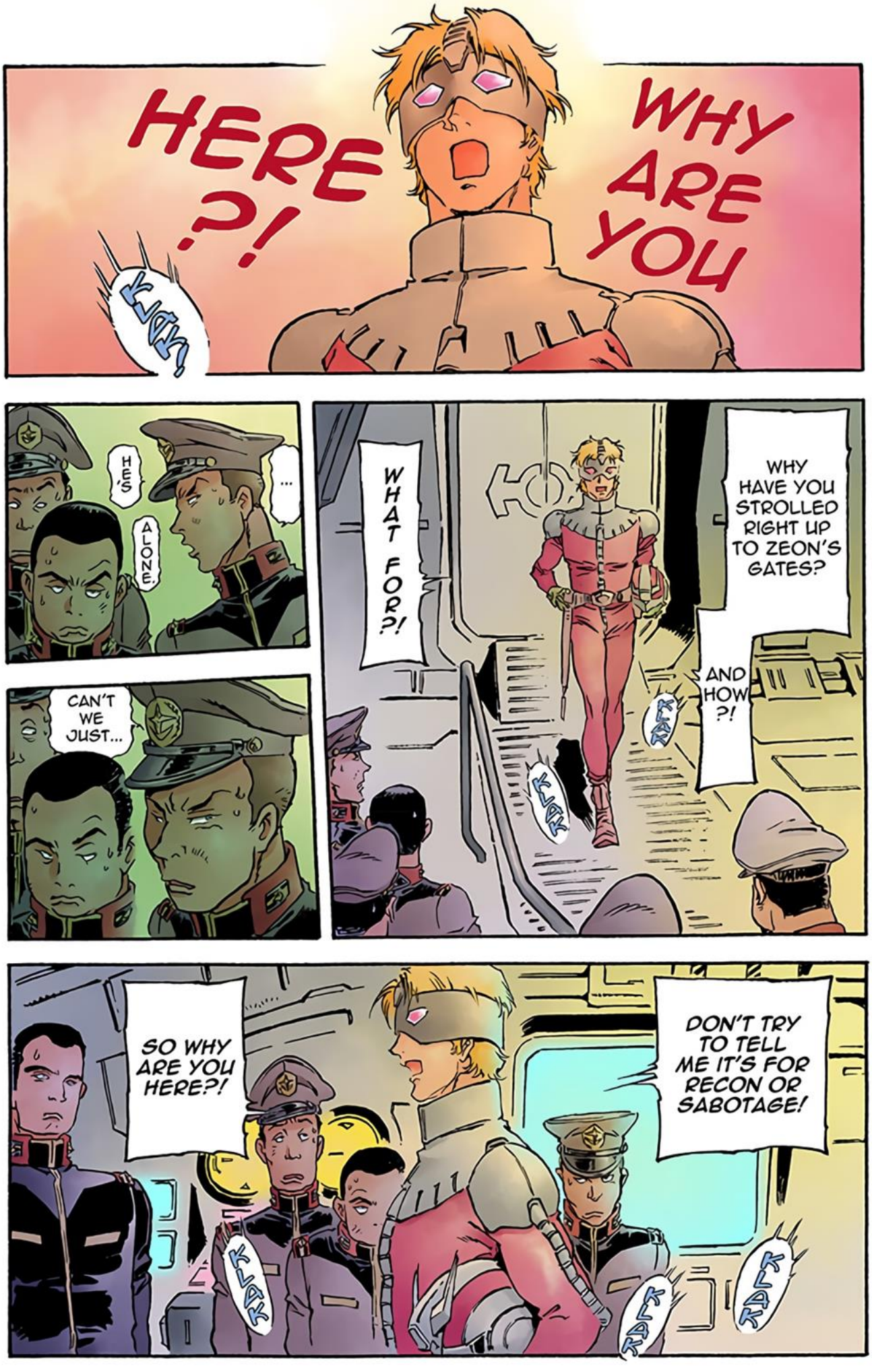


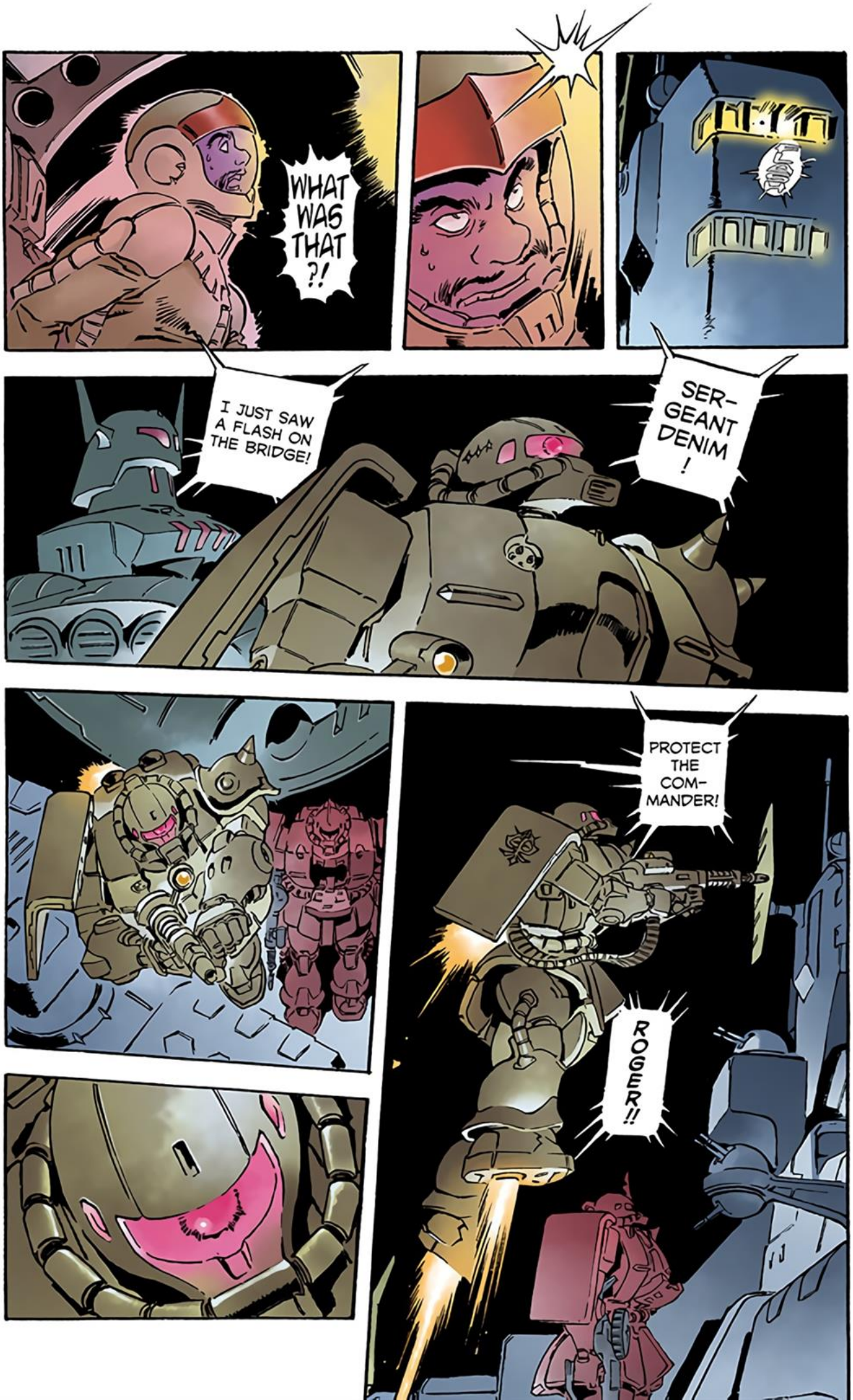
AAGH

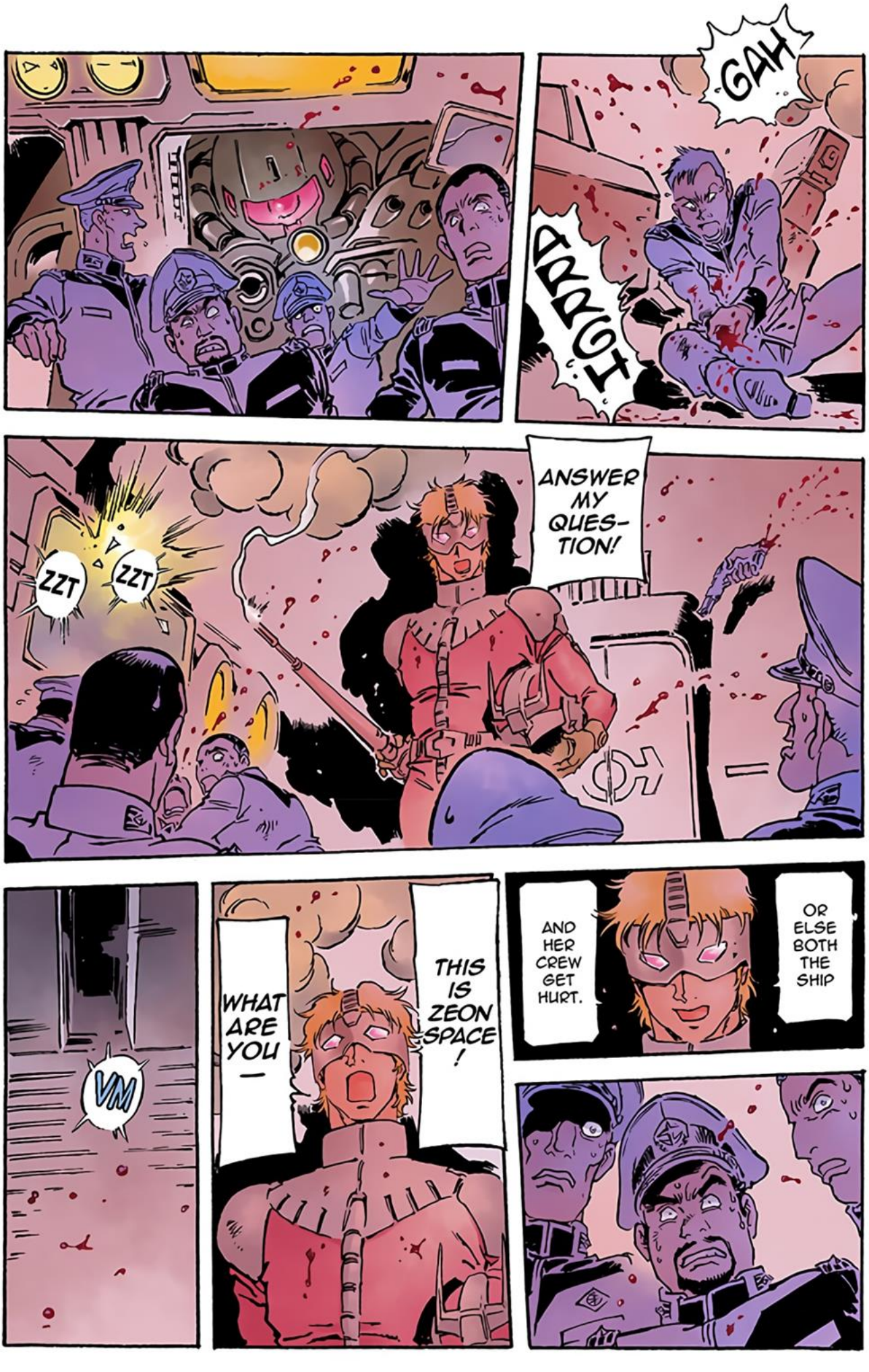
IT'S A ZEON MOBILE SUIT!
WHAT IS THAT?!

I'D NEVER SEEN ONE.
SO THAT'S IT...

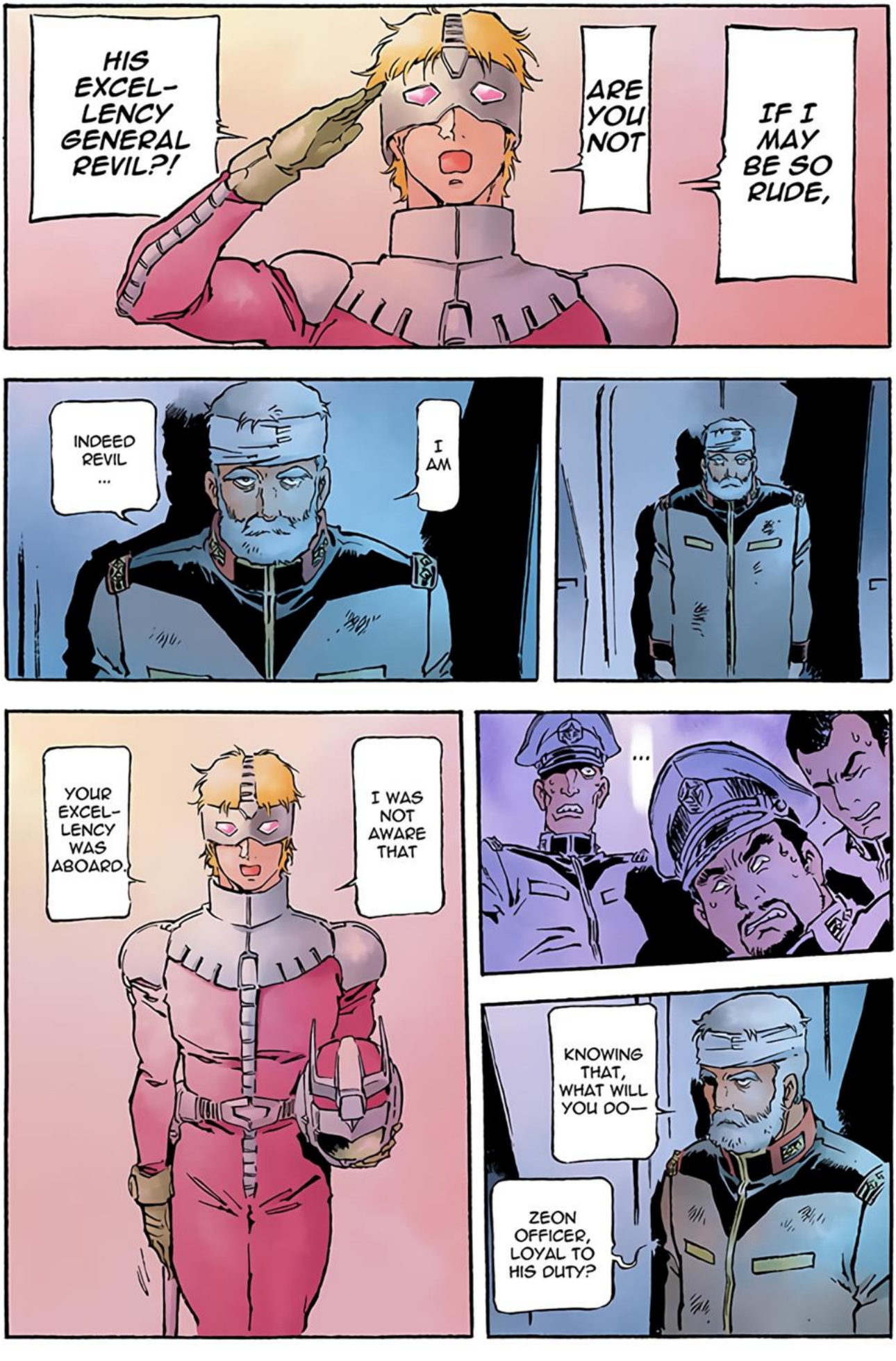
I ASSUME YOU ARE AWARE THAT WE'RE CURRENTLY AT WAR.
YOUR SHIP SHOULD NOT BE HERE.
BY ALL RIGHTS
WE COULD HAVE SUNK YOU WITH NO WARNING.

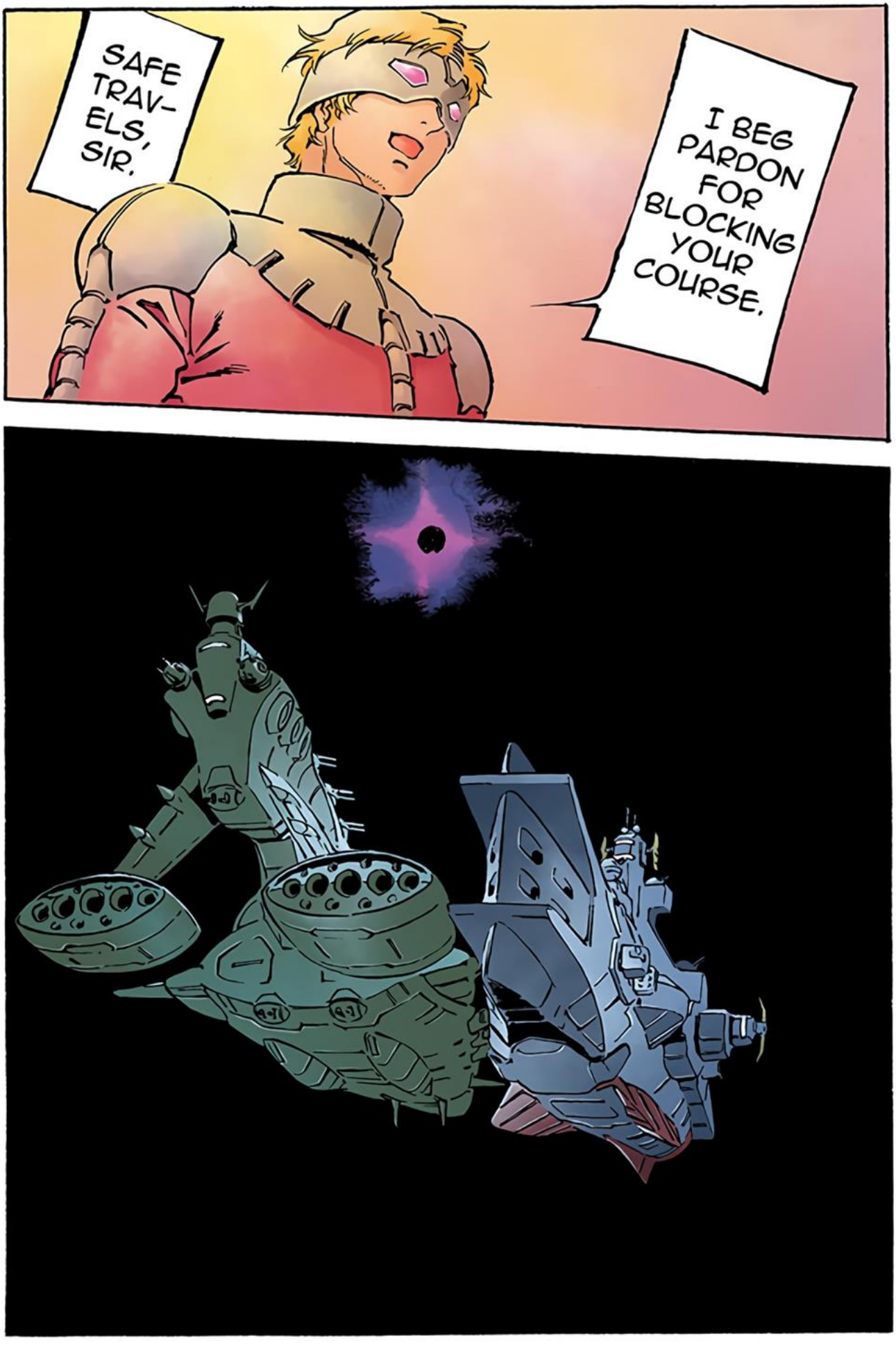

WHY ARE YOU HERE?!
KLAK!
...
HE'S ALONE.
CAN'T WE JUST...
WHAT FOR?!
WHY HAVE YOU STROLLED RIGHT UP TO ZEON'S GATES?
AND HOW?!
KLAK
KLAK
SO WHY ARE YOU HERE?!
DON'T TRY TO TELL ME IT'S FOR RECON OR SABOTAGE!
KLAK
KLAK
KLAK

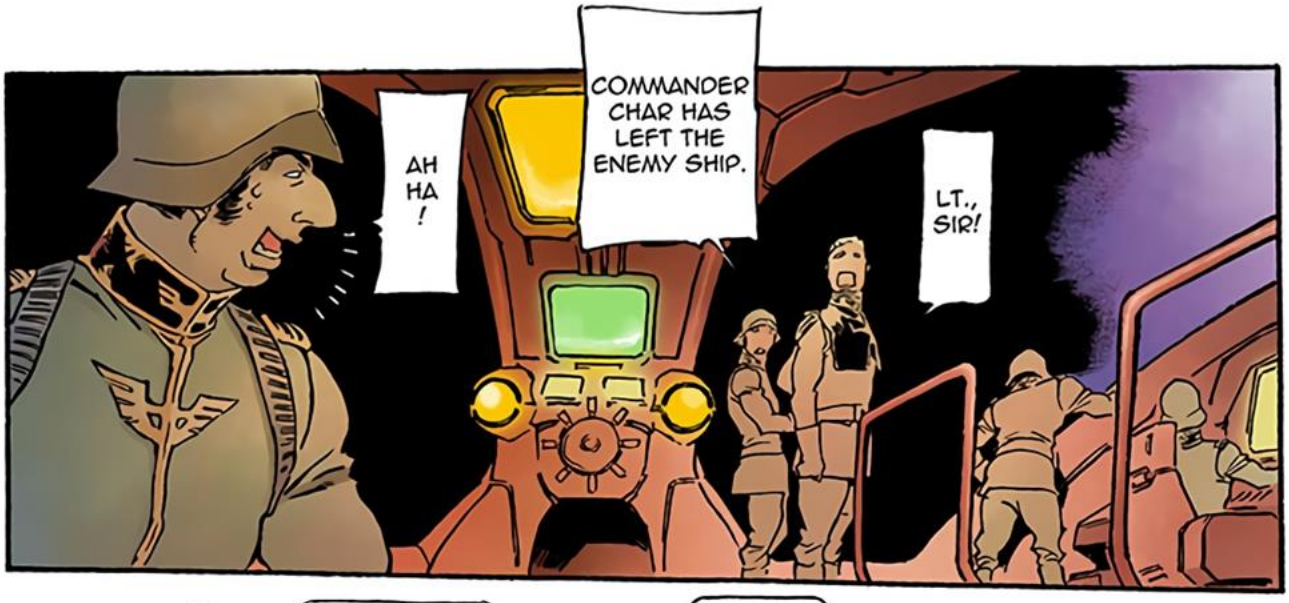

WHAT WAS THAT ?!
I JUST SAW A FLASH ON THE BRIDGE!
SER-GEANT DENIM !
PROTECT THE COM-MANDER!
ROGER!!


GAH
ARGH
ANSWER MY QUES-TION!
ZZT
ZZT
OR ELSE BOTH THE SHIP
AND HER CREW GET HURT.
THIS IS ZEON SPACE!
WHAT ARE YOU —
VM

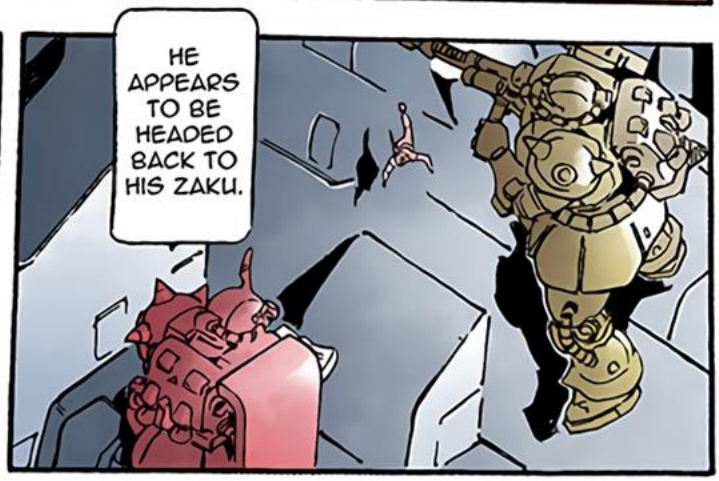
GAAAH...
...

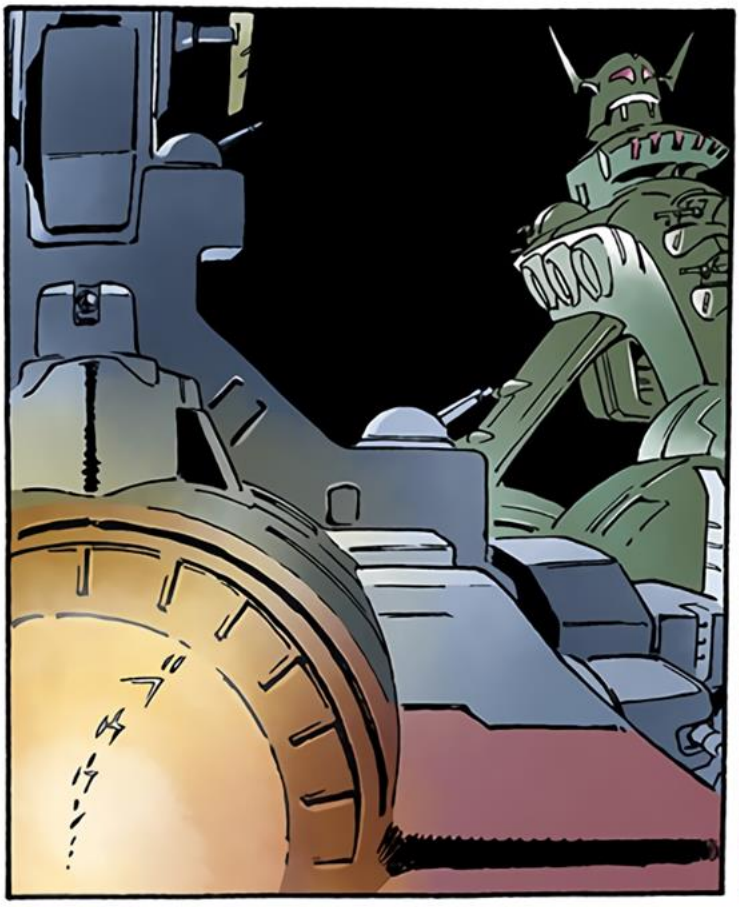

HIS EXCEL-LENCY GENERAL REVIL?!
ARE YOU NOT
IF I MAY BE SO RUDE,
INDEED REVIL ...
I AM
YOUR EXCEL-LENCY WAS ABOARD.
I WAS NOT AWARE THAT
...
KNOWING THAT, WHAT WILL YOU DO—
ZEON OFFICER, LOYAL TO HIS DUTY?


SAFE TRAV-ELS, SIR.
I BEG PARDON FOR BLOCKING YOUR COURSE.

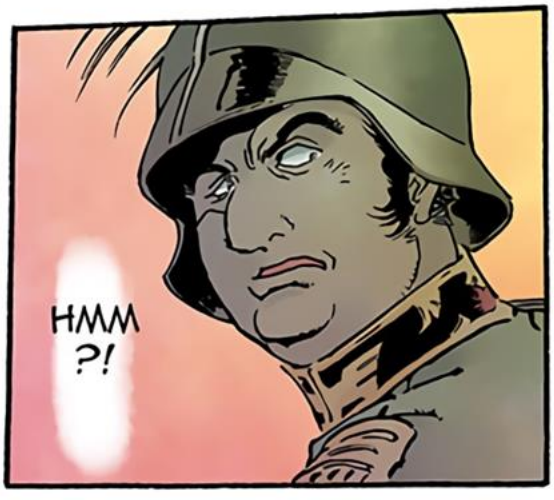

AH HA !
COMMANDER CHAR HAS LEFT THE ENEMY SHIP.
LT., SIR!

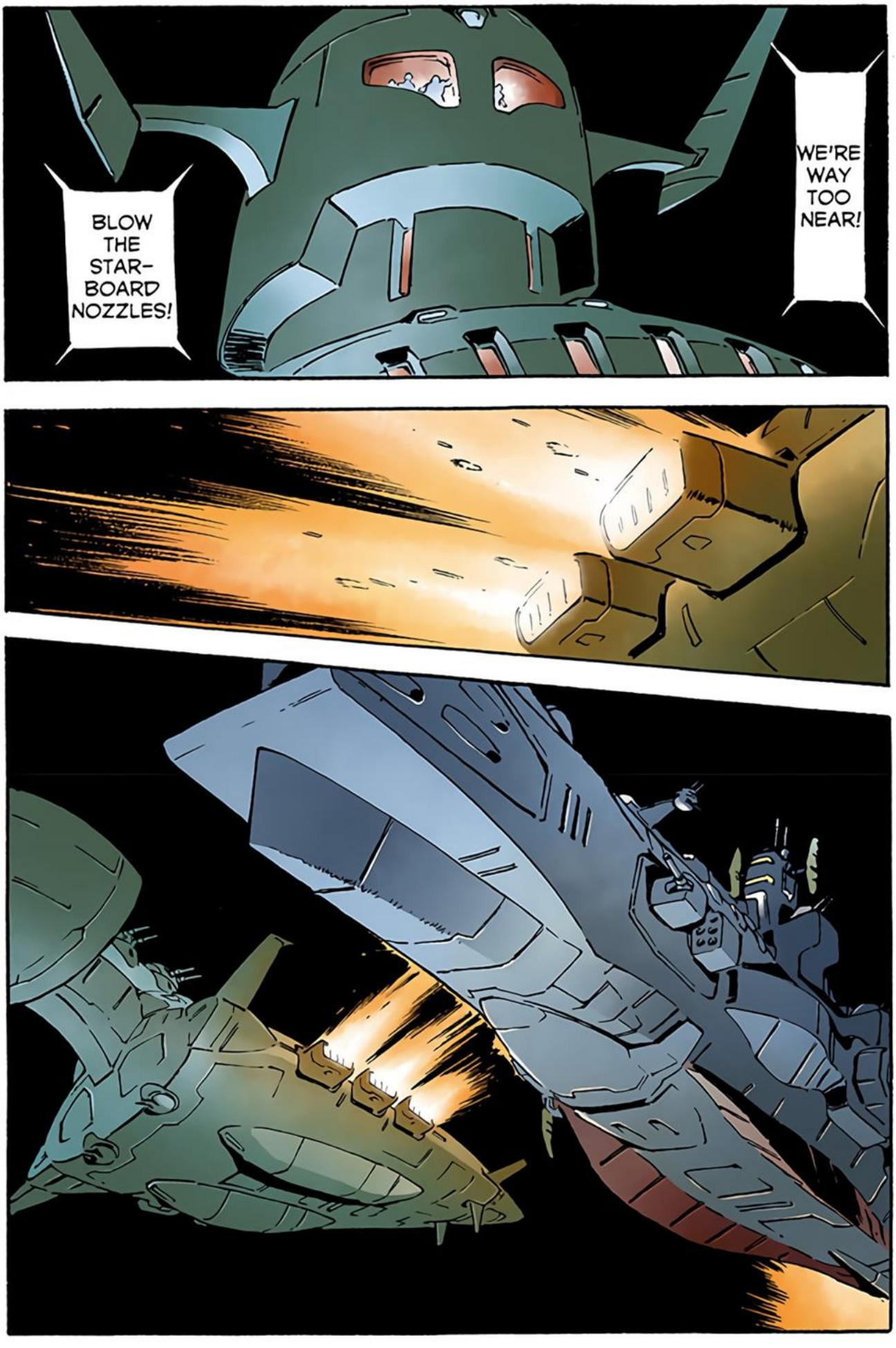
DON'T TELL ME YOU WERE ...
UH
NO NEED FOR ME TO GO, THEN.

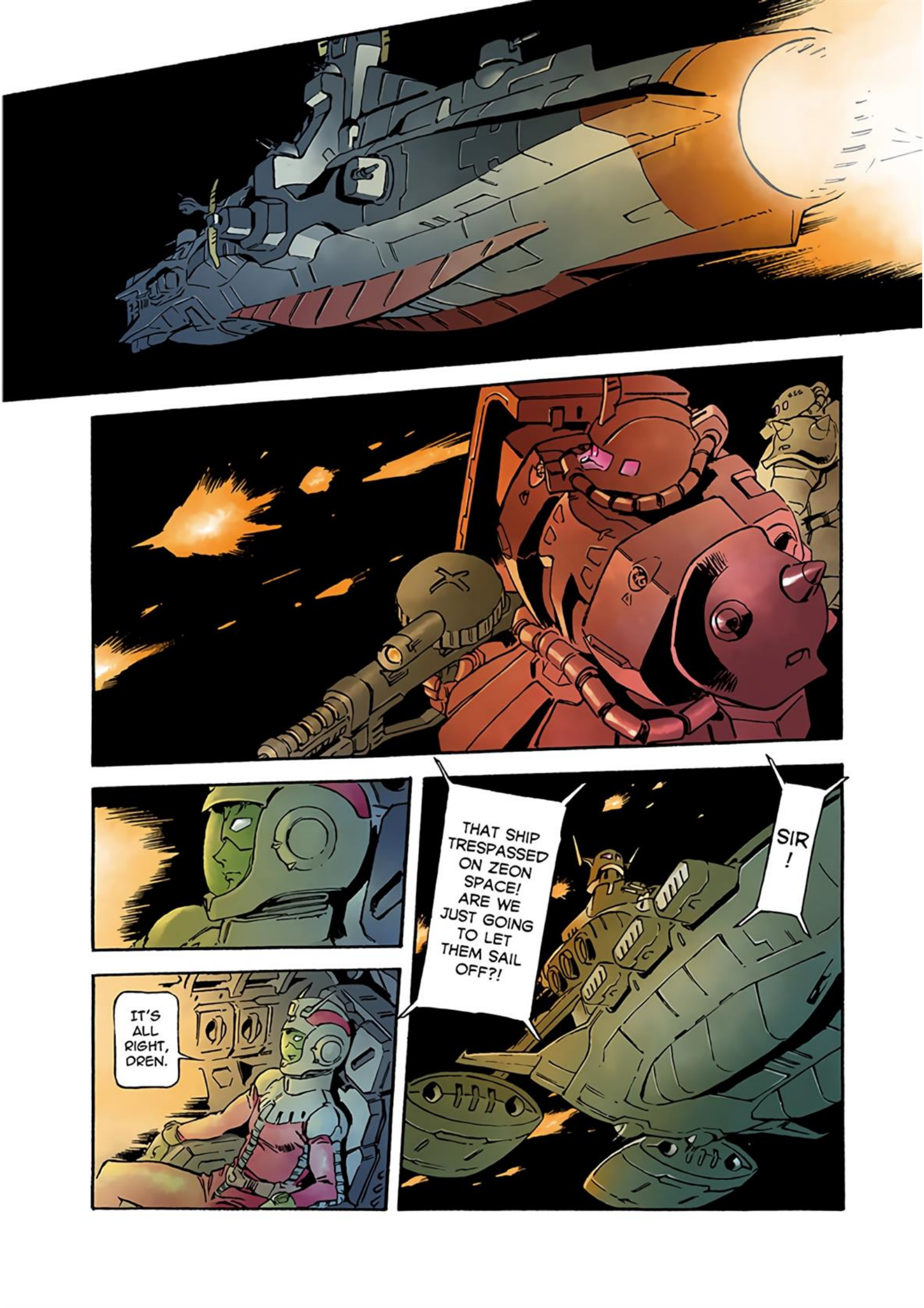

HE APPEARS TO BE HEADED BACK TO HIS ZAKU.



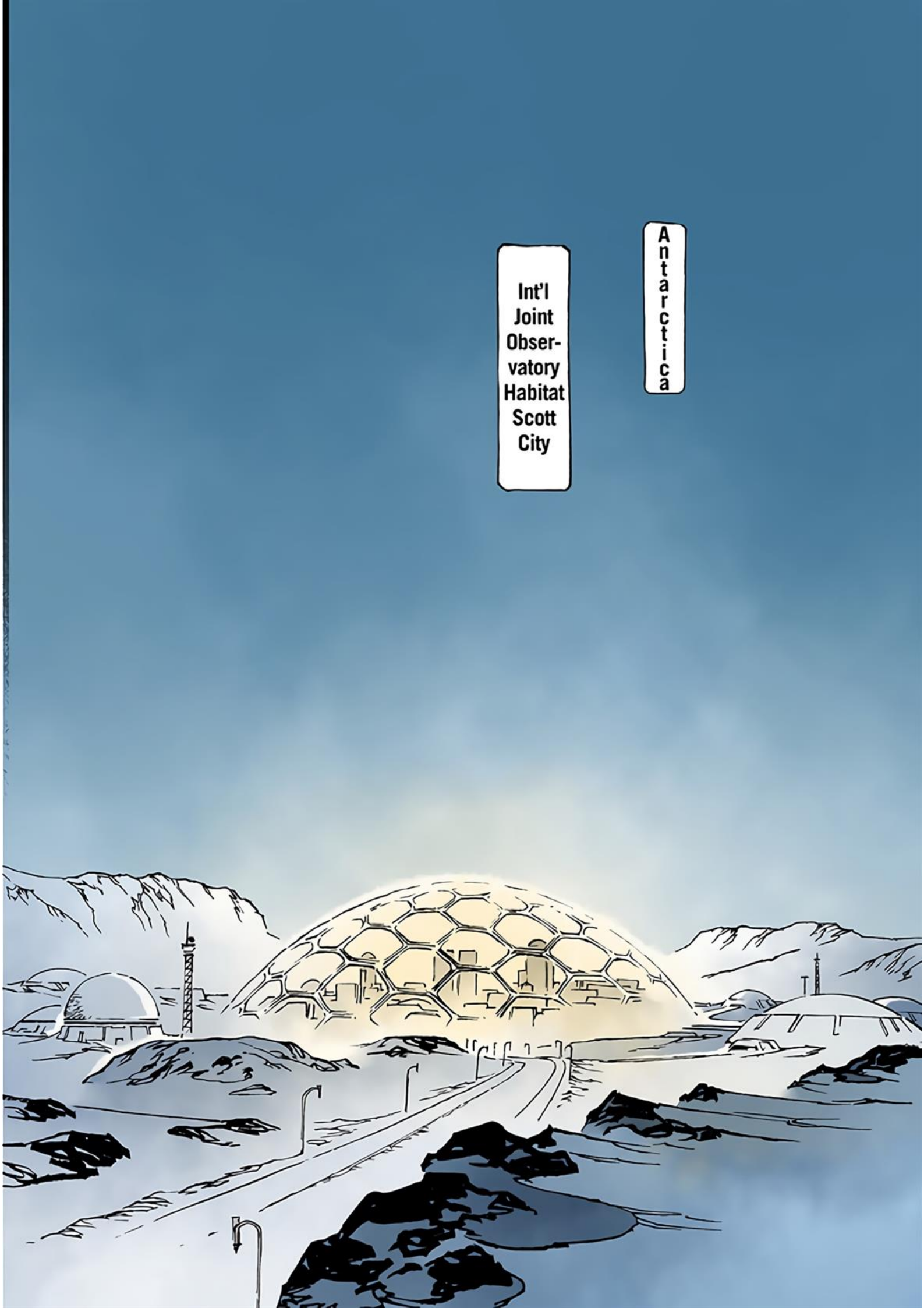
ENGINE BACK ON!
EN-EMY SHIP


HMM ?!


BLOW THE STAR-BOARD NOZZLES!
WE'RE WAY TOO NEAR!


SIR!
THAT SHIP TRESPASSED ON ZEON SPACE! ARE WE JUST GOING TO LET THEM SAIL OFF?!
IT'S ALL RIGHT, DREN.

?
?
SHE WAS
A TREA-SURE SHIP BEYOND MY KEN.
A MASTER-PIECE OF POLITICAL THEATER.
I CAME VERY CLOSE TO RUINING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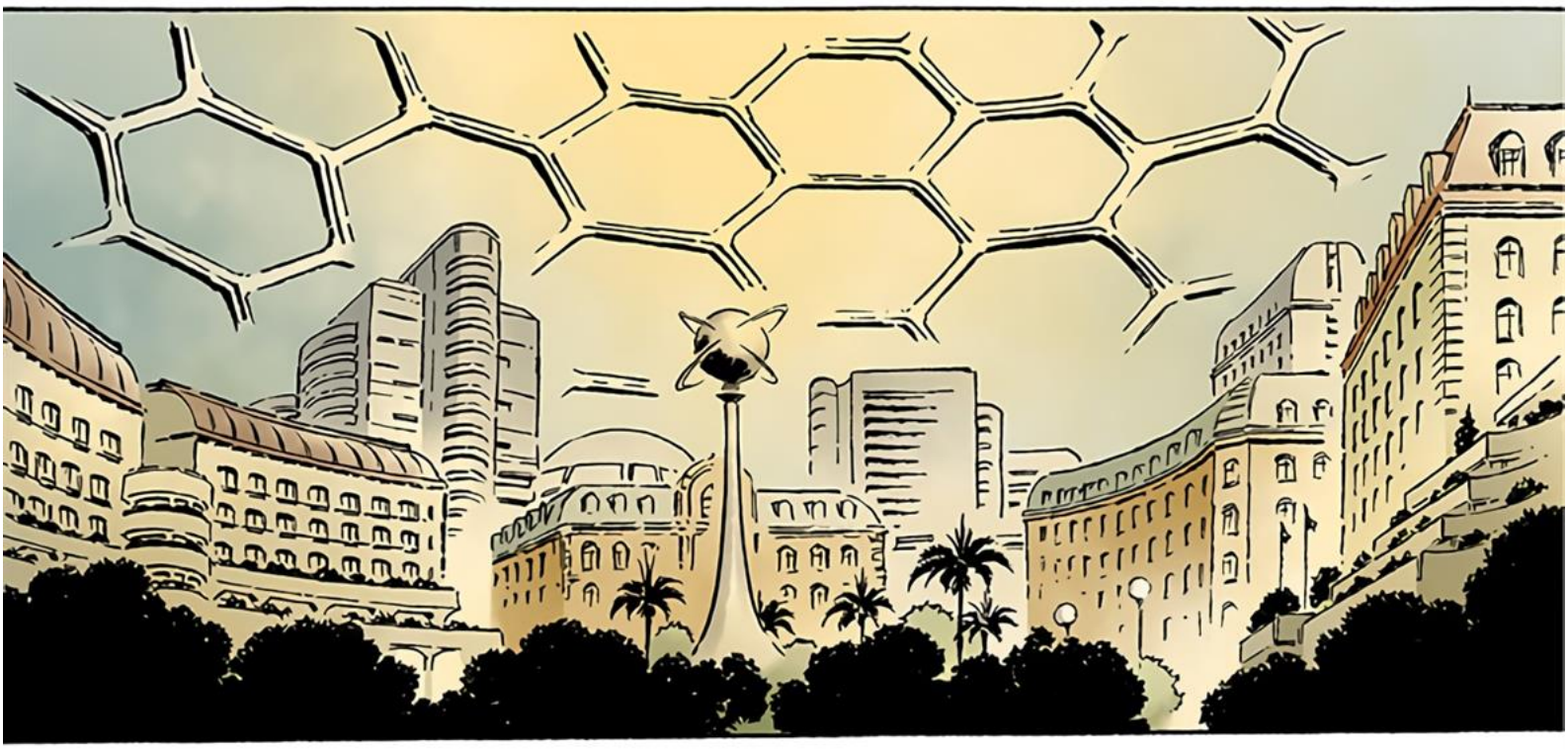
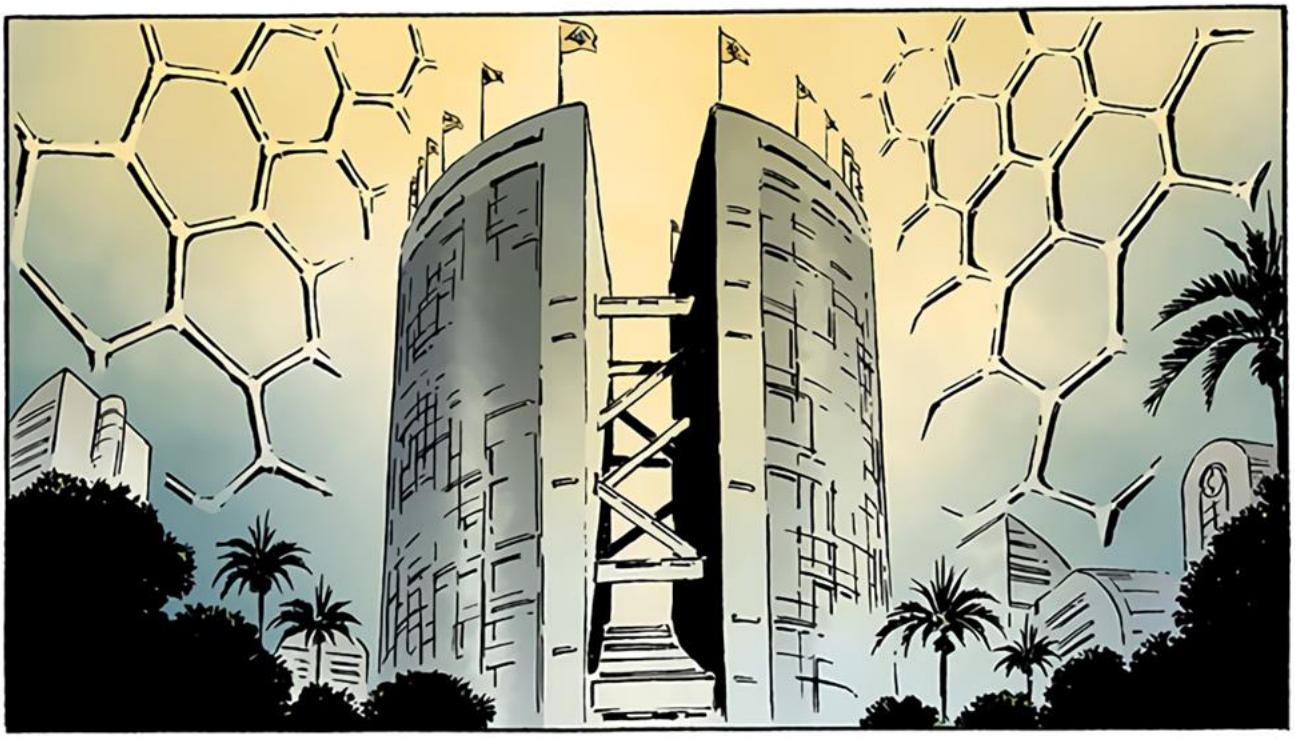
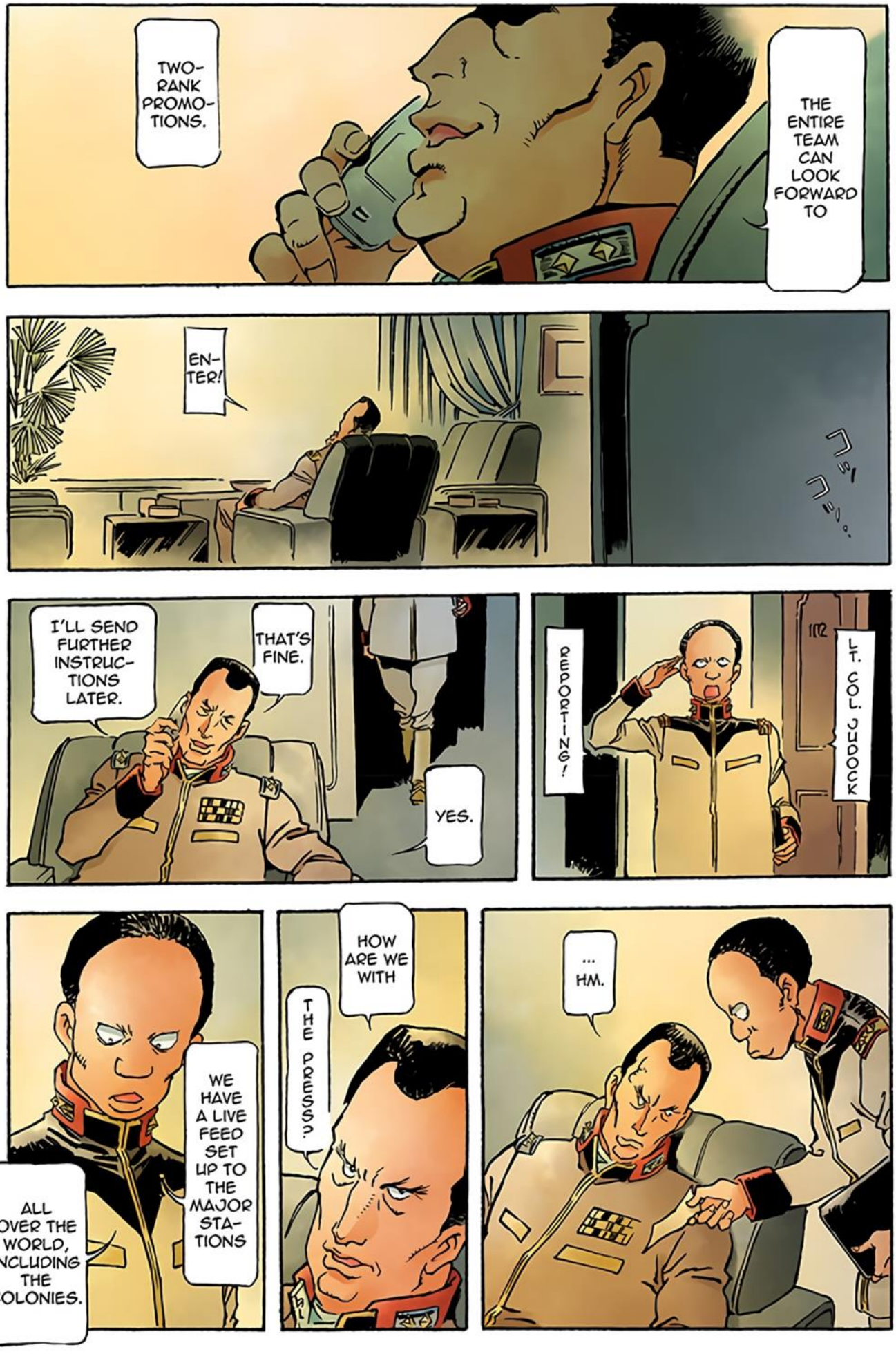
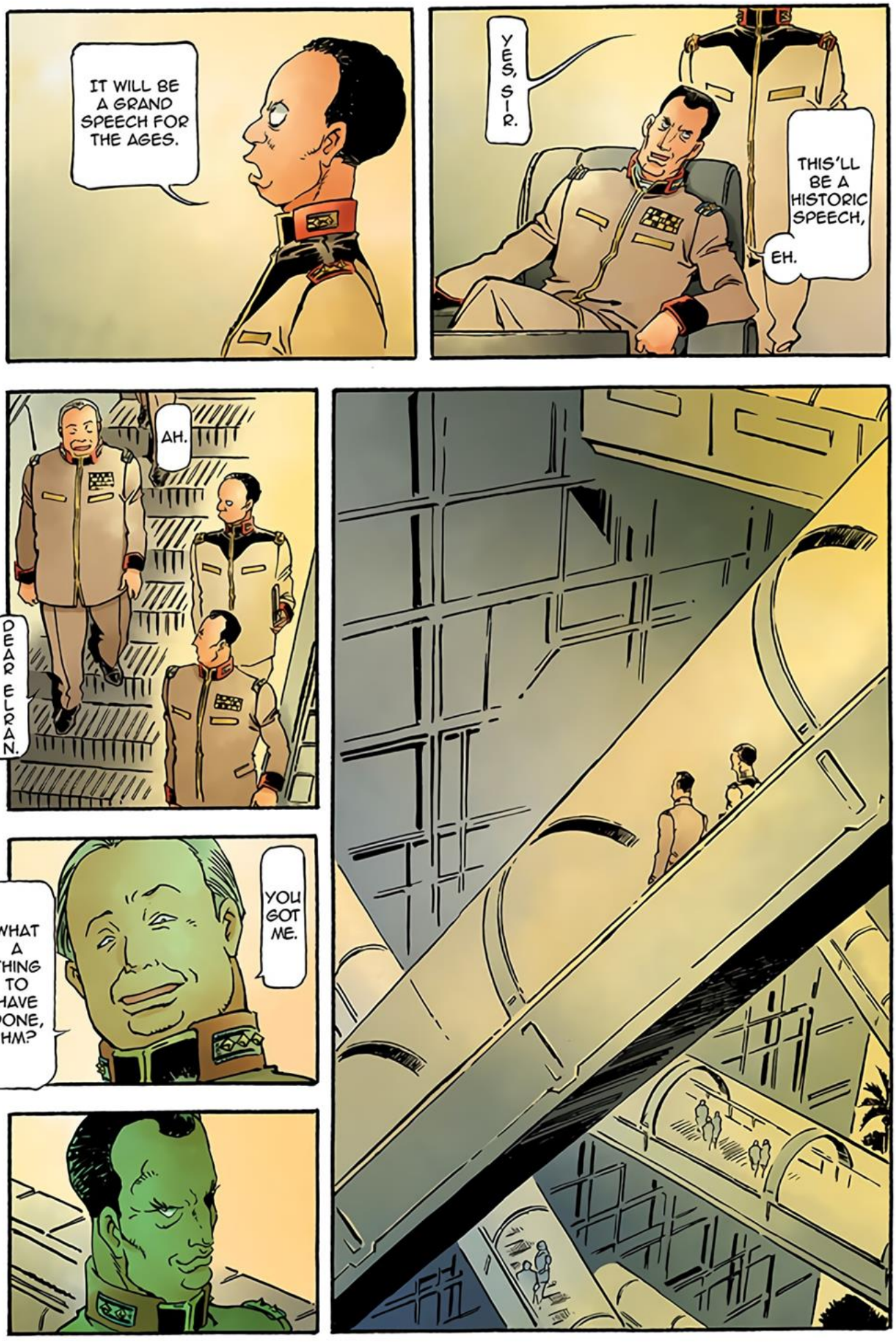
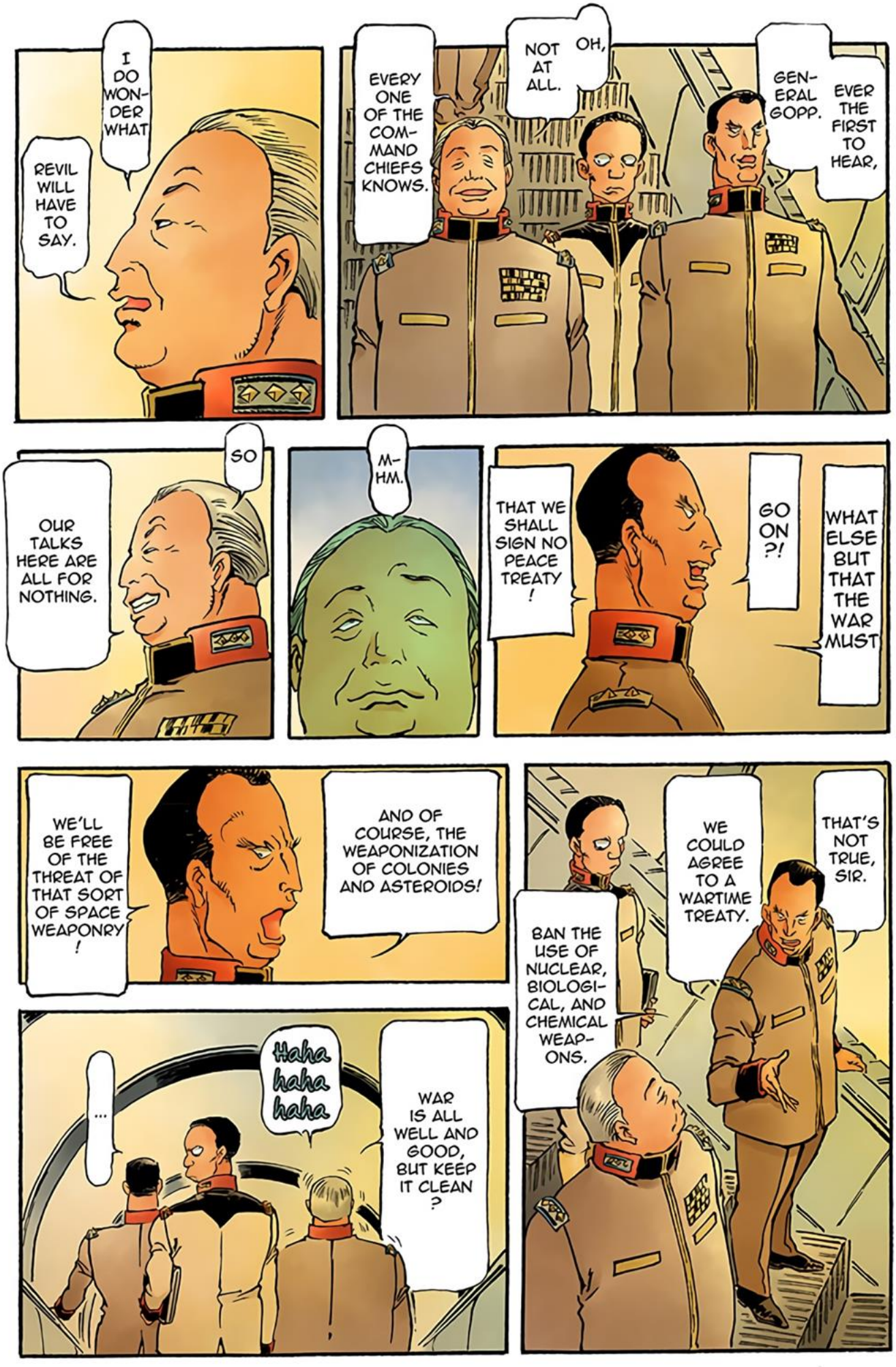




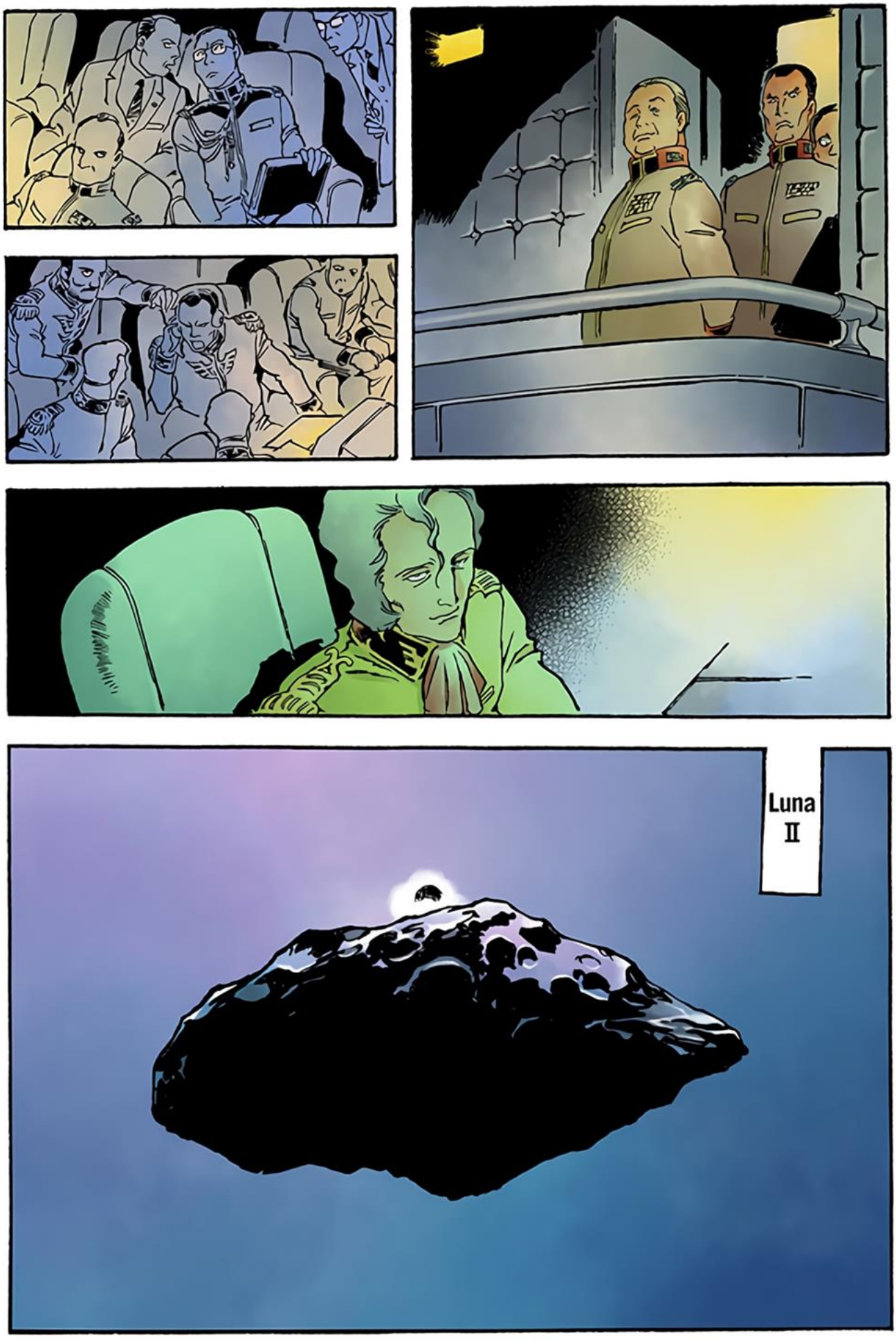
AH...
GLAD TO HEAR IT.
GOOD JOB.


THE ENTIRE TEAM CAN LOOK FORWARD TO
TWO-RANK PROMO-TIONS.
EN-TER!
LT. COL. JUDOCK
REPORTING!
THAT'S FINE.
I'LL SEND FURTHER INSTRUC-TIONS LATER.
YES.
... HM.
HOW ARE WE WITH
THE PRESS?
WE HAVE A LIVE FEED SET UP TO THE MAJOR STA-TIONS
ALL OVER THE WORLD, INCLUDING THE COLONIES.


IT WILL BE A GRAND SPEECH FOR THE AGES.
YES, SIR.
THIS'LL BE A HISTORIC SPEECH,
EH.
AH.
DEAR ELRAN.
YOU GOT ME.
WHAT A THING TO HAVE DONE, HM?


I DO WONDER WHAT
REVIL WILL HAVE TO SAY.
EVERY ONE OF THE COMMAND CHIEFS KNOWS.
OH, NOT AT ALL.
GENERAL GOPP. EVER THE FIRST TO HEAR,
SO
OUR TALKS HERE ARE ALL FOR NOTHING.
M-HM.
THAT WE SHALL SIGN NO PEACE TREATY!
GO ON?!
WHAT ELSE BUT THAT THE WAR MUST
WE'LL BE FREE OF THE THREAT OF THAT SORT OF SPACE WEAPONRY!
AND OF COURSE, THE WEAPONIZATION OF COLONIES AND ASTEROIDS!
THAT'S NOT TRUE, SIR.
WE COULD AGREE TO A WARTIME TREATY.
BAN THE USE OF NUCLEAR, BIOLOGICAL, AND CHEMICAL WEAPONS.
...
Haha haha haha
WAR IS ALL WELL AND GOOD, BUT KEEP IT CLEAN?

I DO
EXPECT BOTH SIDES TO READILY AGREE TO THAT,
YES.
MR. NOVE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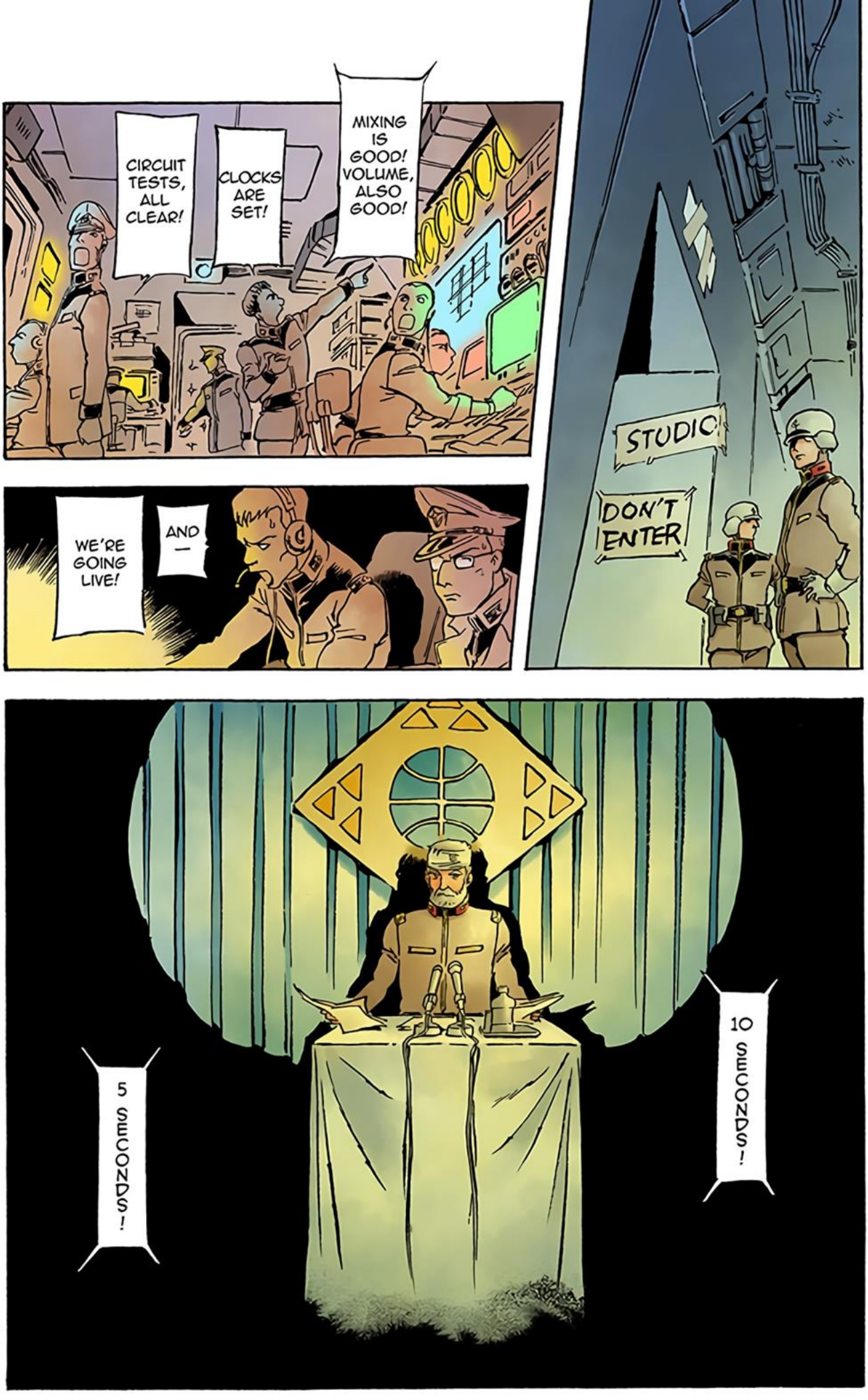
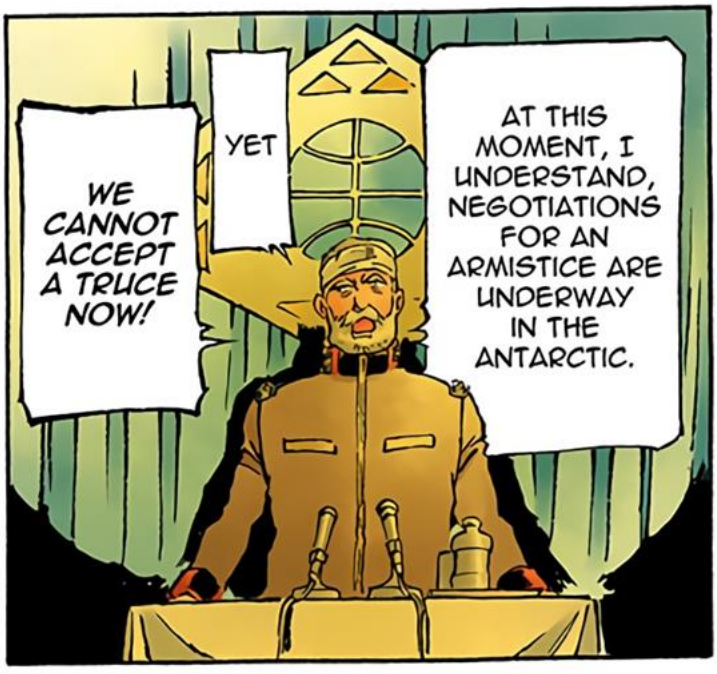

CIRCUIT TESTS, ALL CLEAR!
CLOCKS ARE SET!
MIXING IS GOOD! VOLUME, ALSO GOOD!
STUDIO
DON'T ENTER
WE'RE GOING LIVE!
AND —
10 SECONDS!
5 SECONDS!

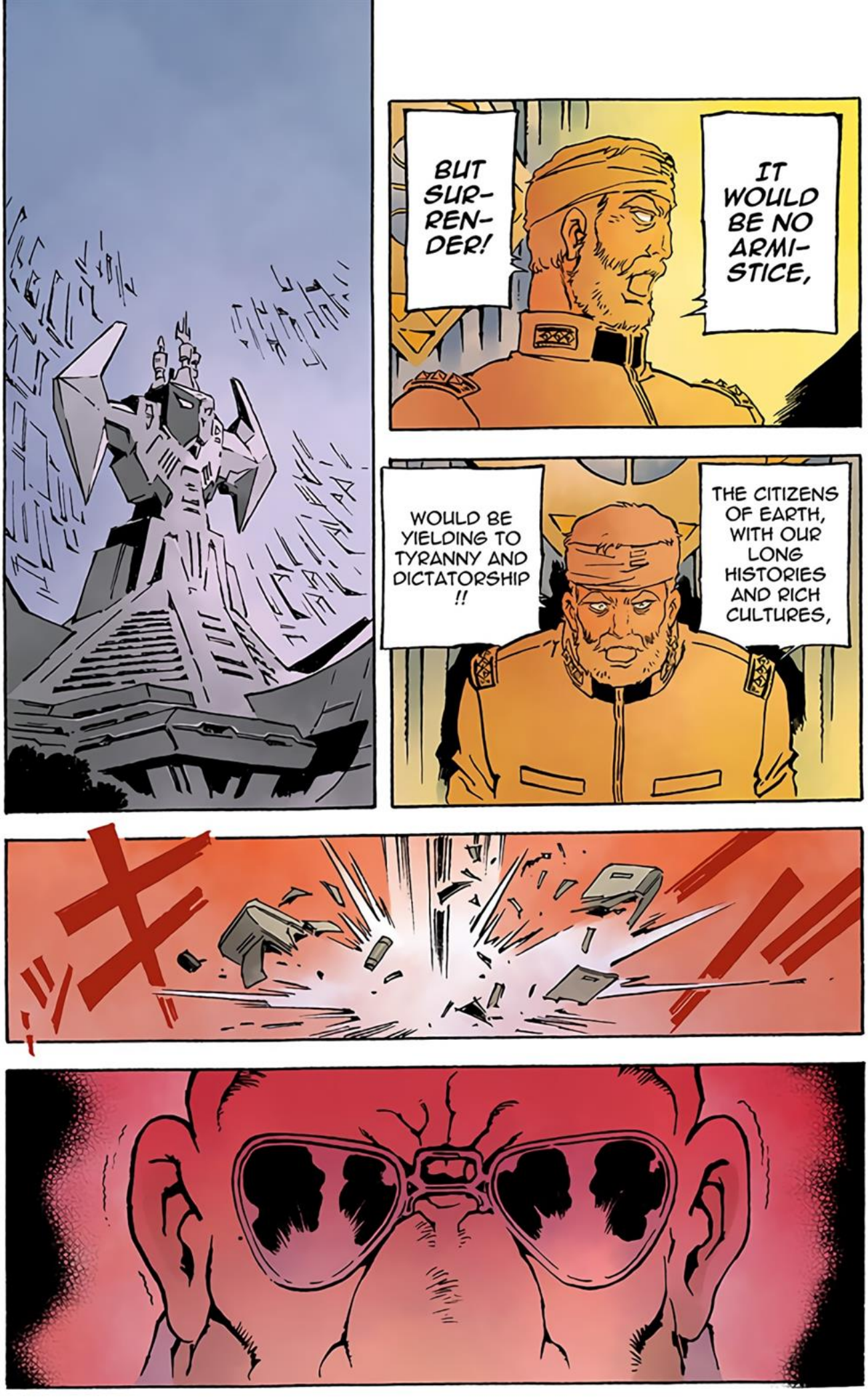
GO!
AS THE GENERAL OF A JOINT ARMED FORCE, I LED THE OPERATION TO SUPPORT OUR ALLIES AT LOUM.
MY NAME IS JOHANN IBRAHIM REVIL.

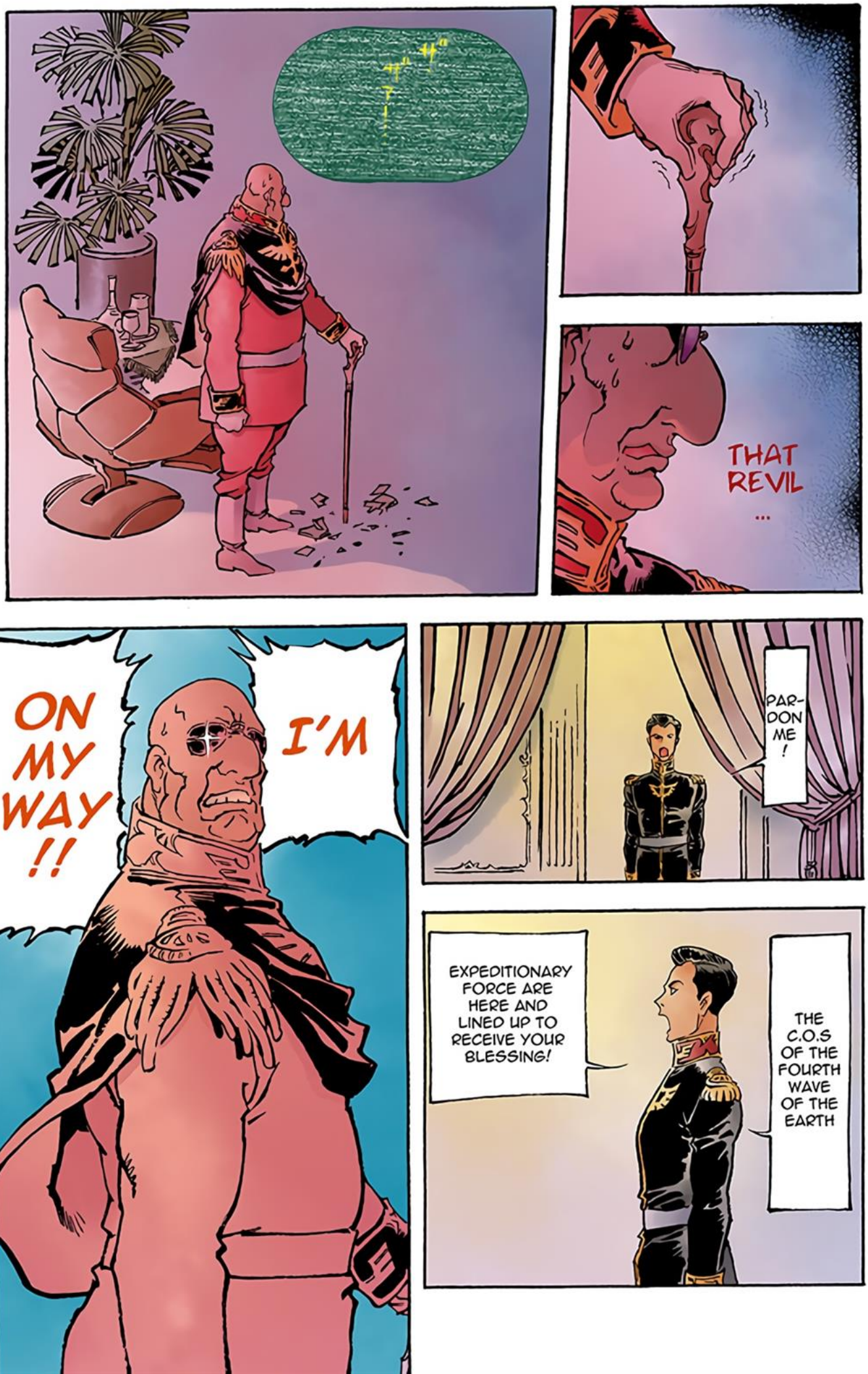
MY BATTLE PLANS AND THE ORDERS I GAVE.
THE CAUSE OF WHICH WERE
WERE DEALT A MAJOR DEFEAT —
WE
THANKS TO A SUCCESSFUL RESCUE MISSION BY OUR COURAGEOUS SOLDIERS.
I STAND HERE NOW, SPEAKING TO YOU FROM AN ALLIED BASE,
I WAS WOUNDED AND TAKEN TO ZEON AS A PRISONER OF WAR.
THE FAULT LIES ENTIRELY WITH ME.
WE LOST MANY SHIPS, AND HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF BRAVE MEN AND WOMEN.
GOPH
ELRAN
MA-KUBE

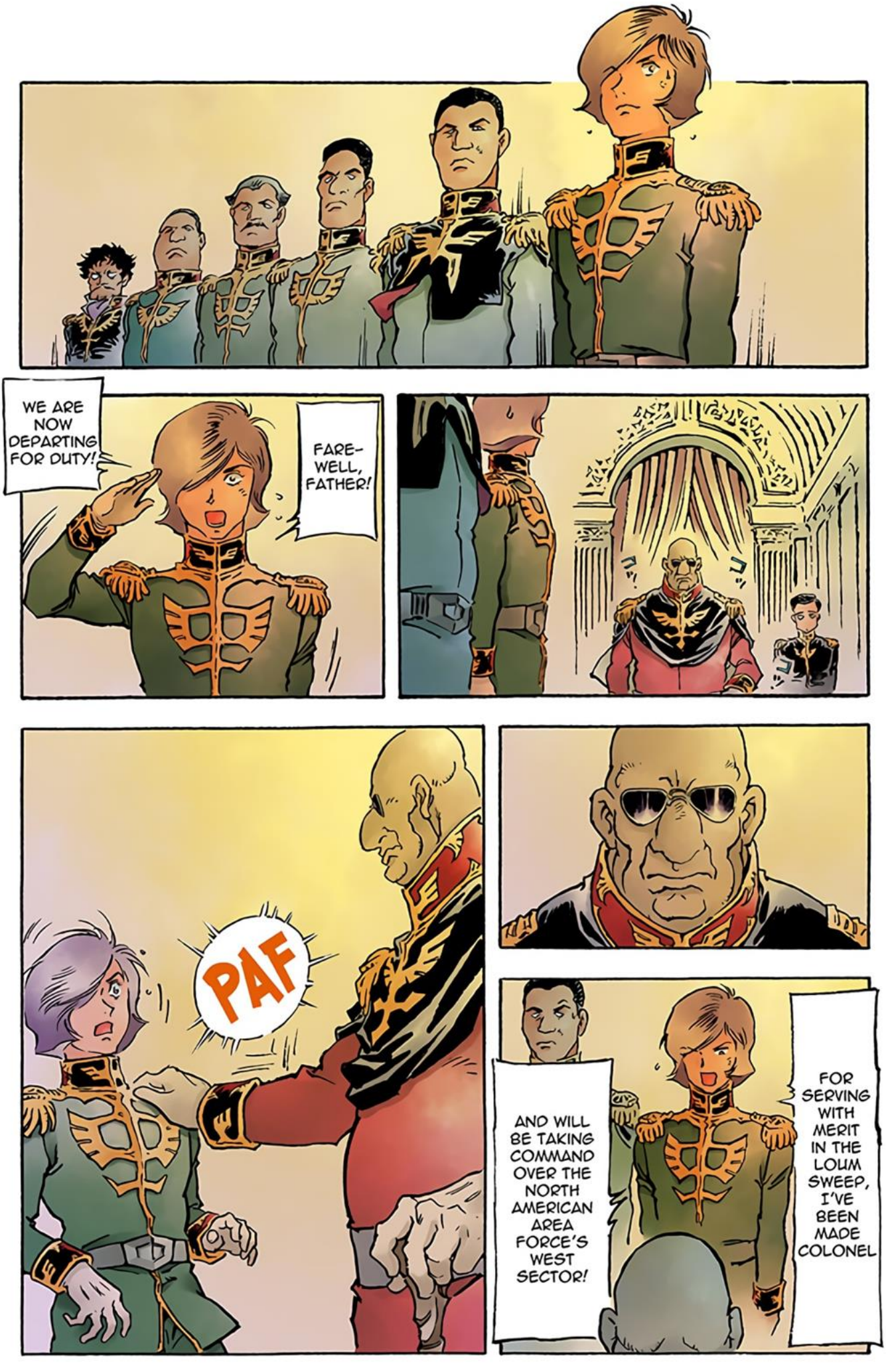
THAT I WAS RESCUED BY THE SAME FORCES I DEPRIVED OF PRIDE AND GLORY INTIMATES DIVINE SUCCOR;
GOD ORDAINED THAT I SHOULD CLEANSE MY NAME
OF THE DEBIT AND HUMILIATION OF DEFEAT!

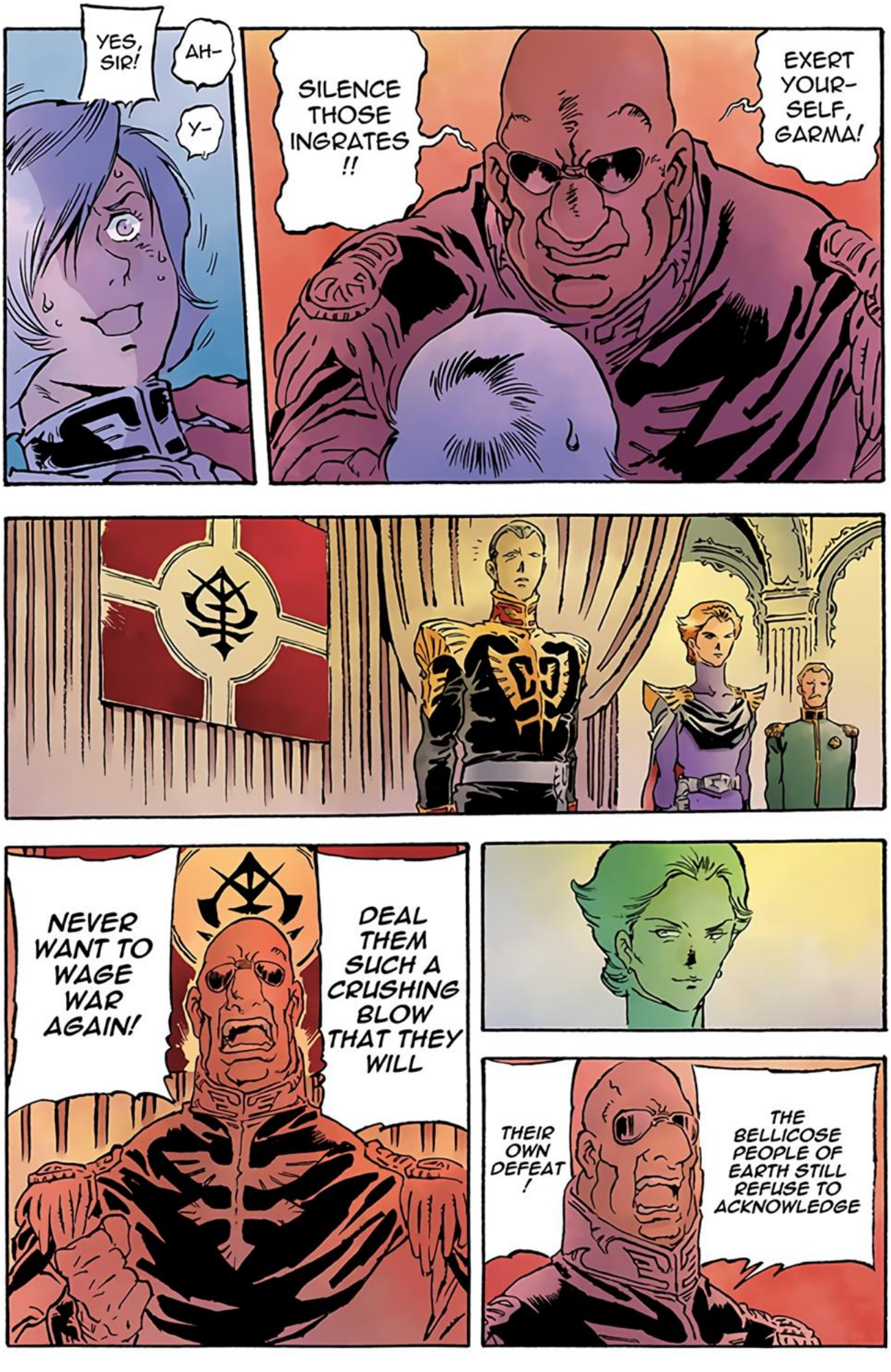
IF IT IS GRANTED TO ME TO UNDERTAKE THAT DUTY ONCE AGAIN,
I SHALL GIVE ALL MY BODY AND SOUL
TO AVENGE MY SHAME.

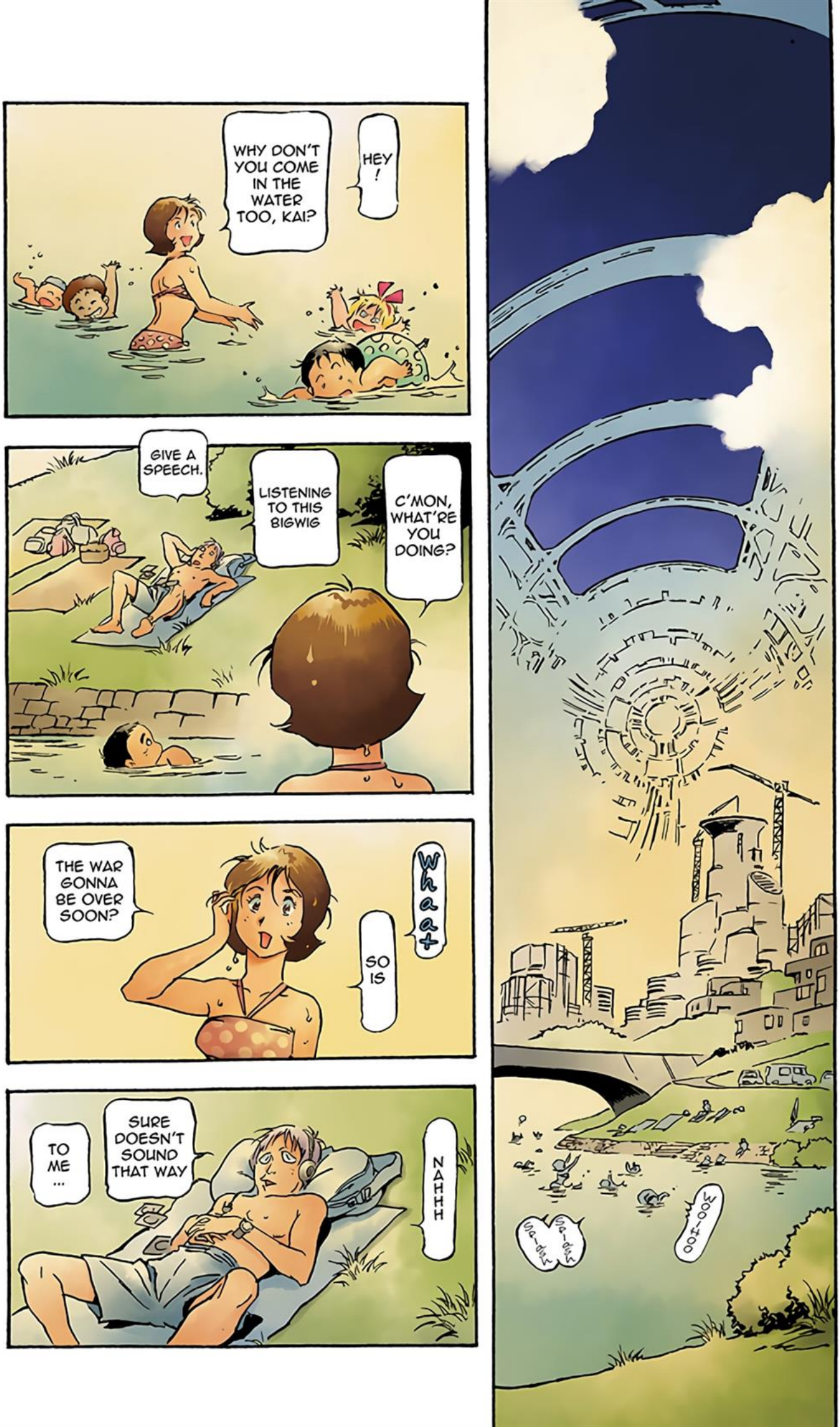

AT THIS MOMENT, I UNDERSTAND, NEGOTIATIONS FOR AN ARMISTICE ARE UNDERWAY IN THE ANTARCTIC.
YET
WE CANNOT ACCEPT A TRUCE NOW!

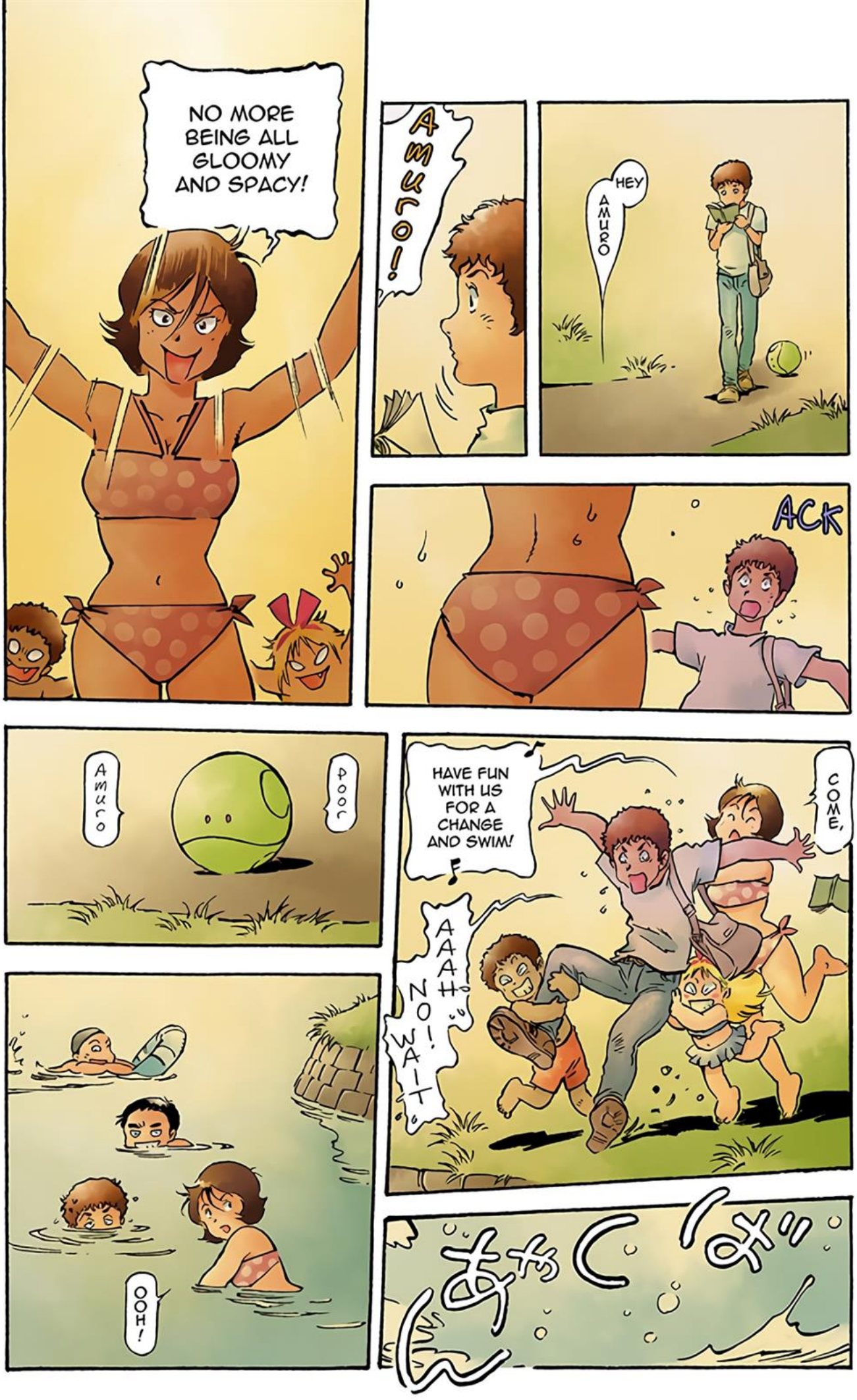

IT WOULD BE NO ARMI-STICE,
BUT SUR-REN-DER!
THE CITIZENS OF EARTH, WITH OUR LONG HISTORIES AND RICH CULTURES,
WOULD BE YIELDING TO TYRANNY AND DICTATORSHIP !!


THAT REVIL ...
PAR-DON ME !
EXPEDITIONARY FORCE ARE HERE AND LINED UP TO RECEIVE YOUR BLESSING!
THE C.O.S OF THE FOURTH WAVE OF THE EARTH
I'M ON MY WAY !!


WE ARE NOW DEPARTING FOR DUTY!
FARE-WELL, FATHER!
PAF
FOR SERVING WITH MERIT IN THE LOUM SWEEP, I'VE BEEN MADE COLONEL
AND WILL BE TAKING COMMAND OVER THE NORTH AMERICAN AREA FORCE'S WEST SECTOR!


YES, SIR!
AH-
Y-
SILENCE THOSE INGRATES !!
EXERT YOUR-SELF, GARMA!
NEVER WANT TO WAGE WAR AGAIN!
DEAL THEM SUCH A CRUSHING BLOW THAT THEY WILL
THEIR OWN DEFEAT !
THE BELLICOSE PEOPLE OF EARTH STILL REFUSE TO ACKNOWLEDGE


HEY!
WHY DON'T YOU COME IN THE WATER TOO, KAI?
C'MON, WHAT'RE YOU DOING?
LISTENING TO THIS BIGWIG
GIVE A SPEECH.
Whaat
SO IS
THE WAR GONNA BE OVER SOON?
NAHHH
SURE DOESN'T SOUND THAT WAY
TO ME ...
WOOIHOO
Spidsh
Spidsh


NO MORE BEING ALL GLOOMY AND SPACY!
AMURO!
HEY AMURO
ACK
AMURO
POOR
HAVE FUN WITH US FOR A CHANGE AND SWIM!
COME,
AAAH... NO! WAIT...
OOH!
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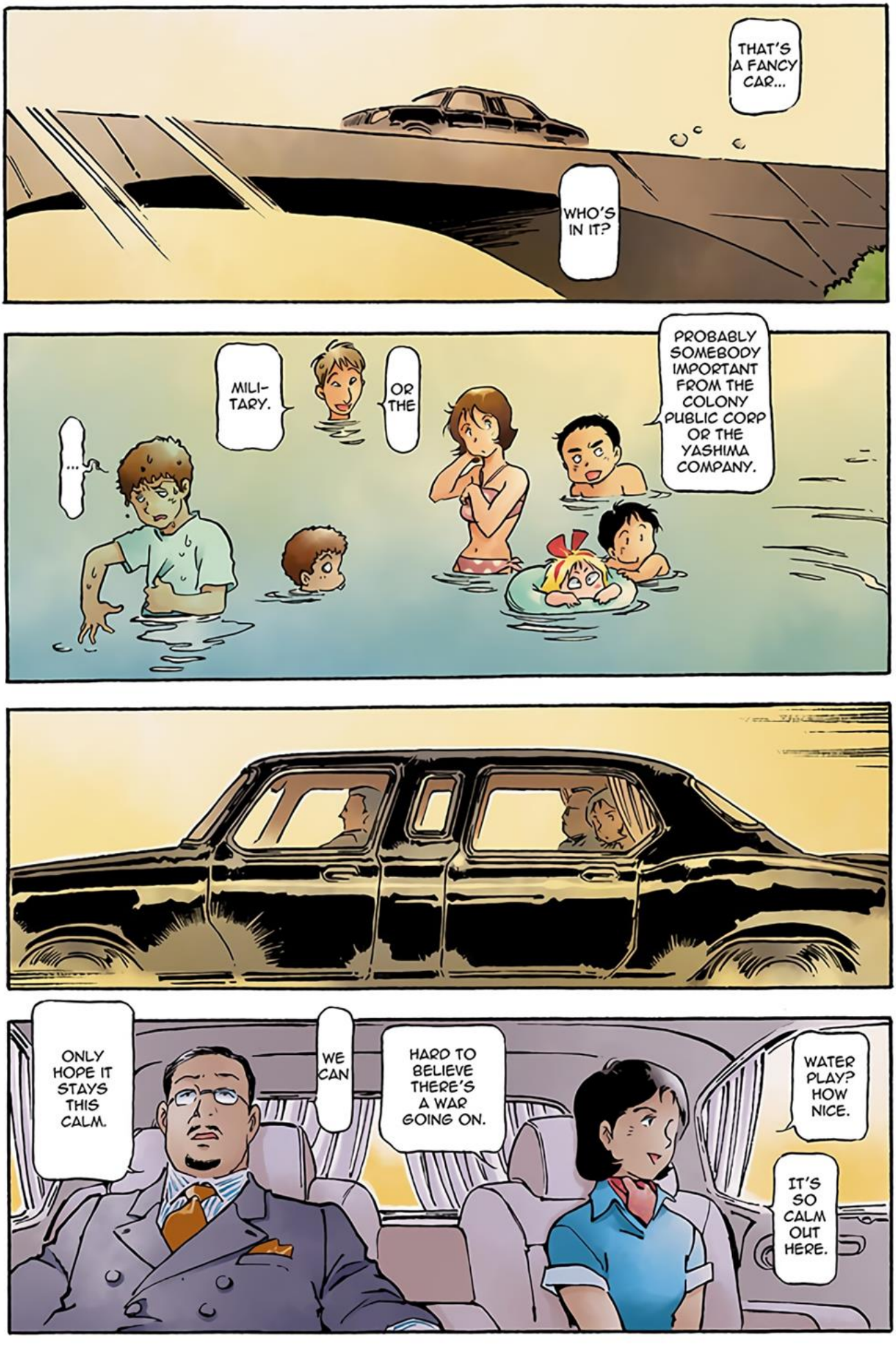
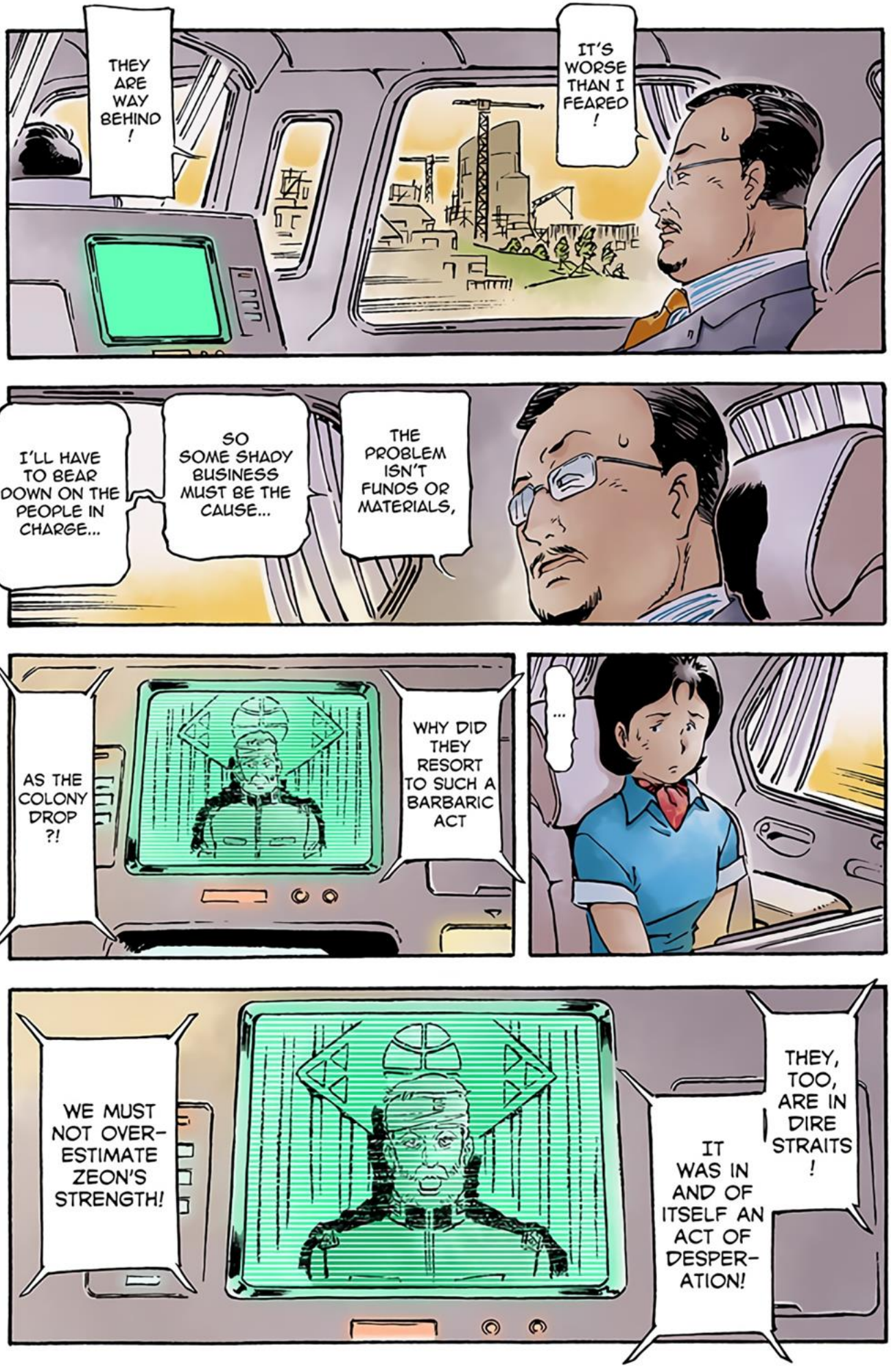
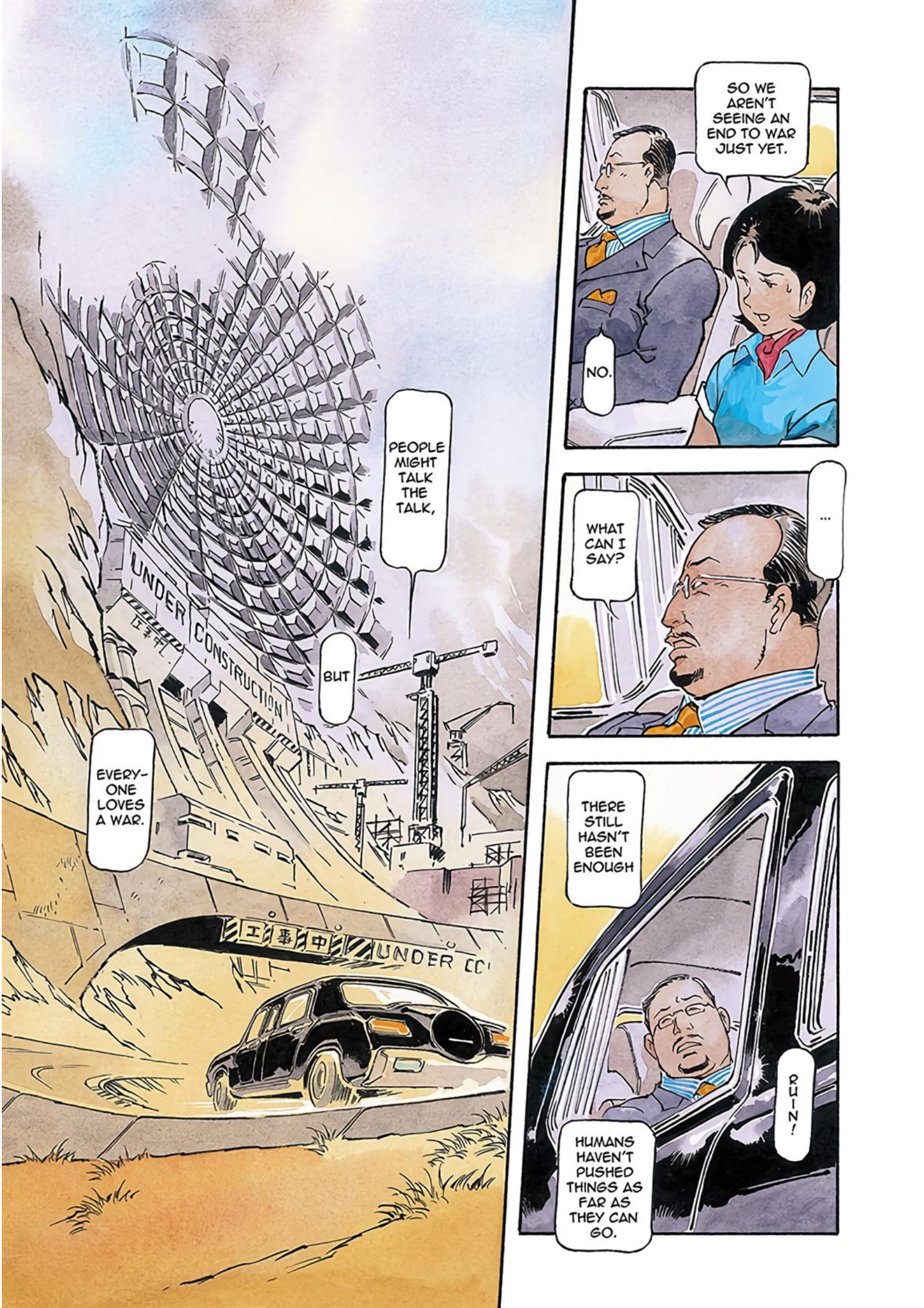

THAT'S A FANCY CAR...
WHO'S IN IT?
PROBABLY SOMEBODY IMPORTANT FROM THE COLONY PUBLIC CORP OR THE YASHIMA COMPANY.
OR THE
MILI-TARY.
...
WATER PLAY? HOW NICE.
IT'S SO CALM OUT HERE.
HARD TO BELIEVE THERE'S A WAR GOING ON.
WE CAN
ONLY HOPE IT STAYS THIS CALM.


THEY ARE WAY BEHIND !
IT'S WORSE THAN I FEARED !
I'LL HAVE TO BEAR DOWN ON THE PEOPLE IN CHARGE...
SO SOME SHADY BUSINESS MUST BE THE CAUSE...
THE PROBLEM ISN'T FUNDS OR MATERIALS,
AS THE COLONY DROP ?!
WHY DID THEY RESORT TO SUCH A BARBARIC ACT
...
WE MUST NOT OVER-ESTIMATE ZEON'S STRENGTH!
IT WAS IN AND OF ITSELF AN ACT OF DESPER-ATION!
THEY, TOO, ARE IN DIRE STRAITS !


SO WE AREN'T SEEING AN END TO WAR JUST YET.
NO.
...
WHAT CAN I SAY?
THERE STILL HASN'T BEEN ENOUGH
RUIN!
HUMANS HAVEN'T PUSHED THINGS AS FAR AS THEY CAN GO.
PEOPLE MIGHT TALK THE TALK,
BUT
EVERY-ONE LOVES A WAR.
UNDER CONSTRUCTION
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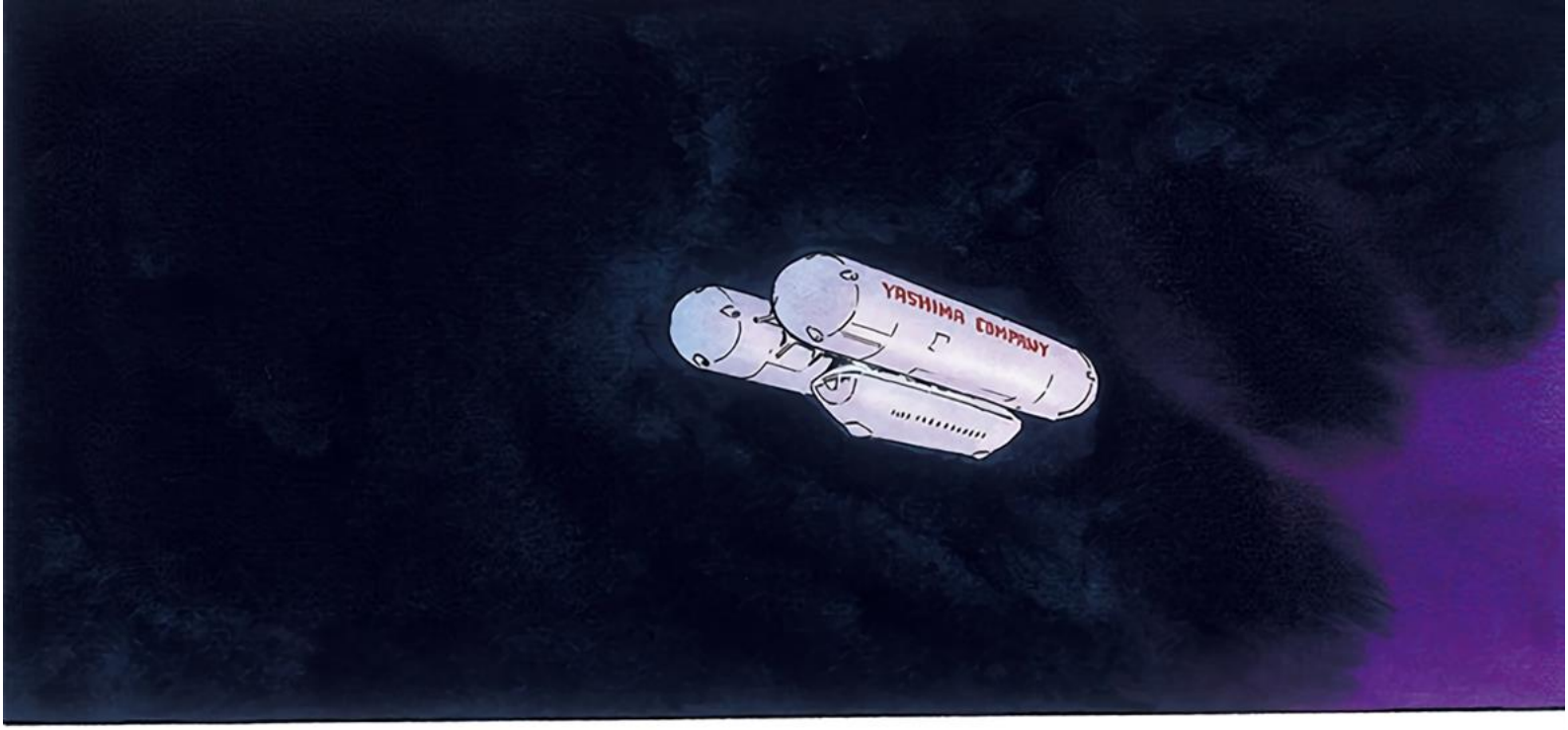
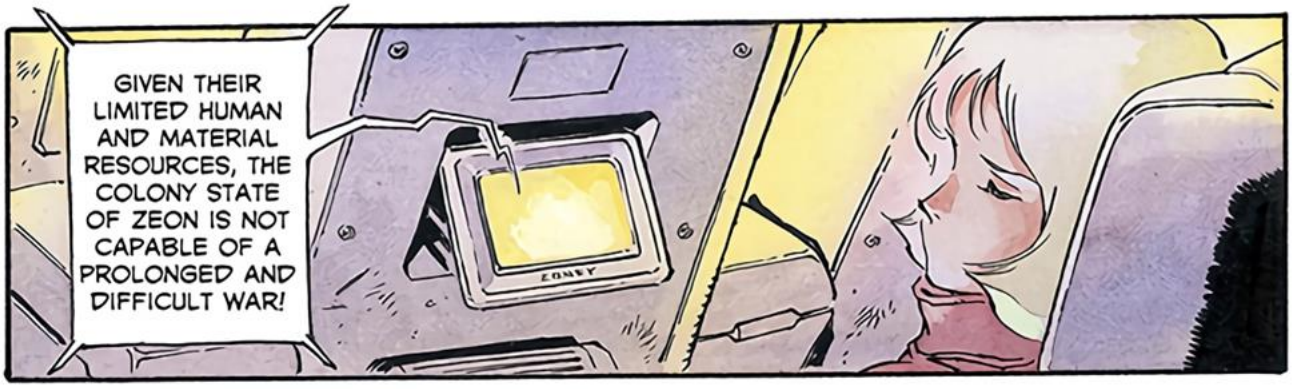
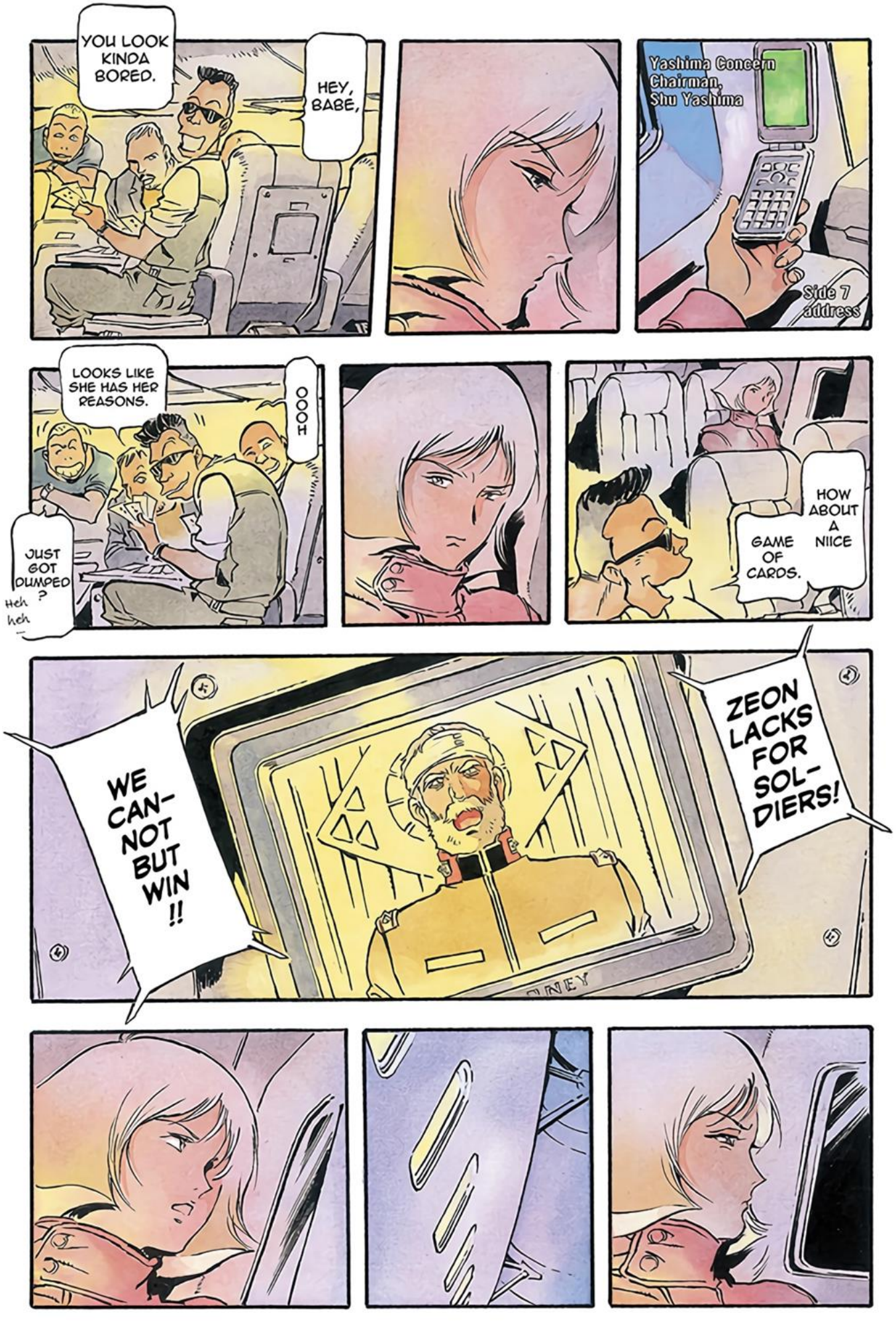
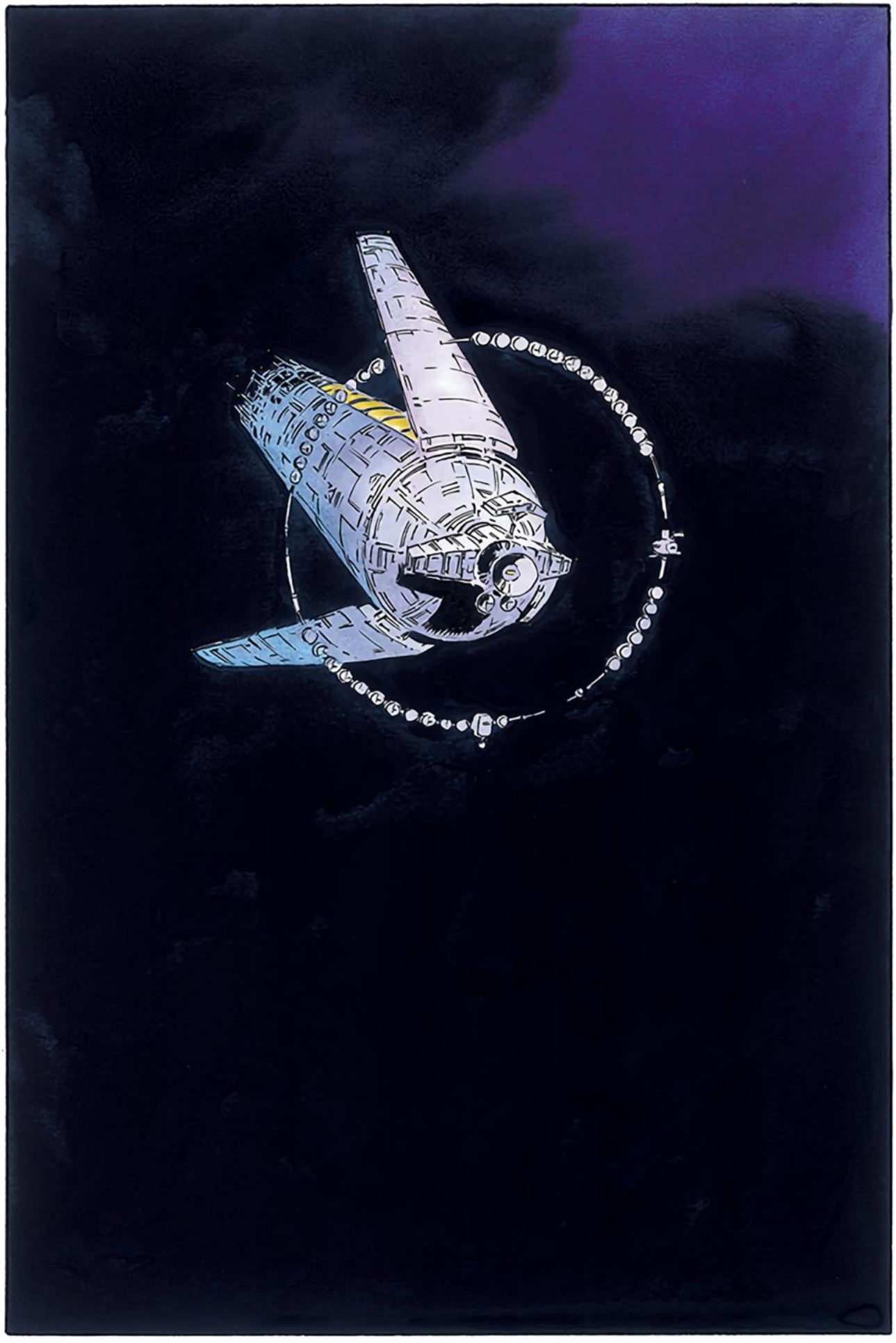

YASHIMA COMPANY


GIVEN THEIR LIMITED HUMAN AND MATERIAL RESOURCES, THE COLONY STATE OF ZEON IS NOT CAPABLE OF A PROLONGED AND DIFFICULT WAR!
ZONEY

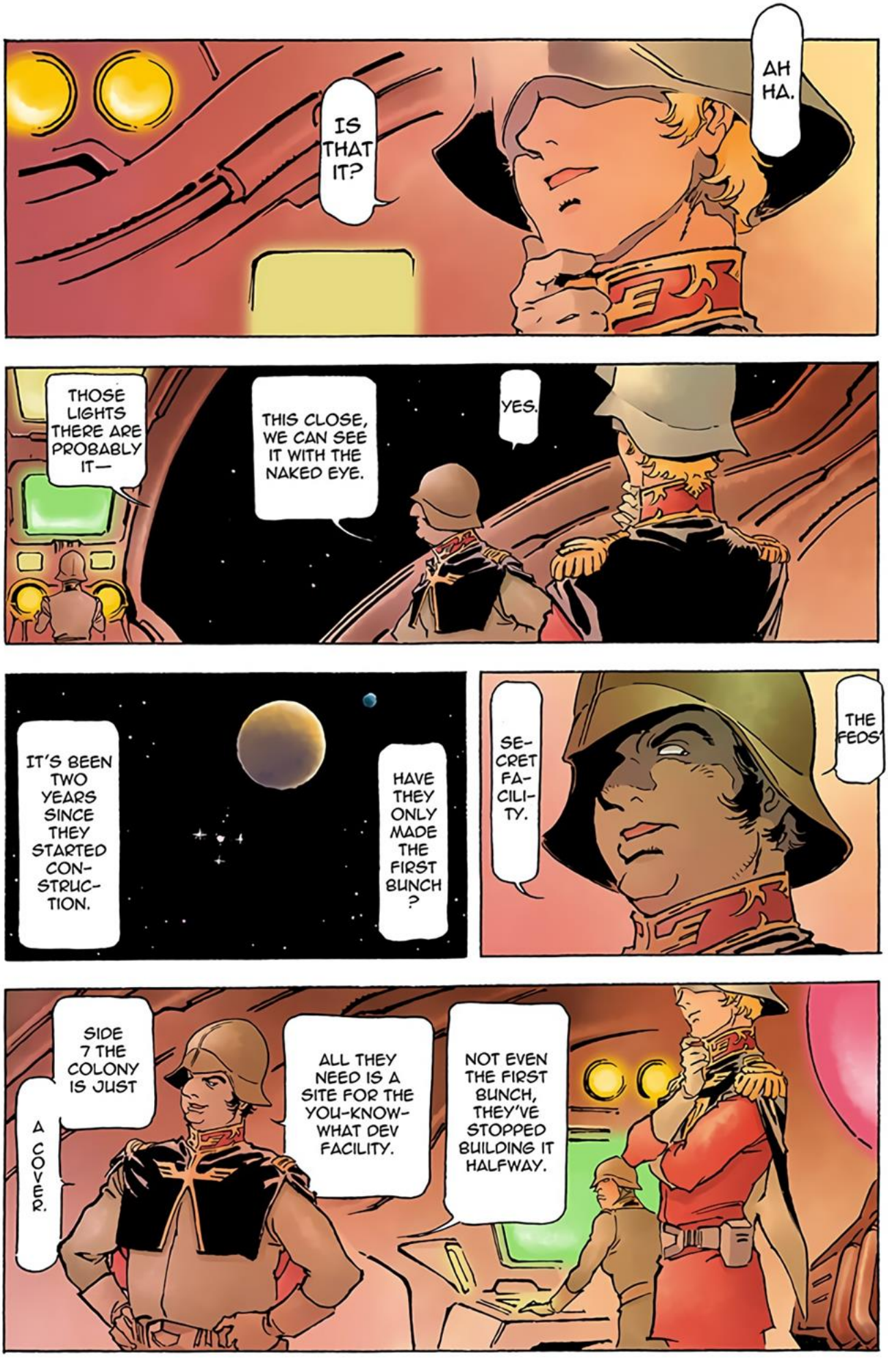
WE MUST KEEP FIGHTING!

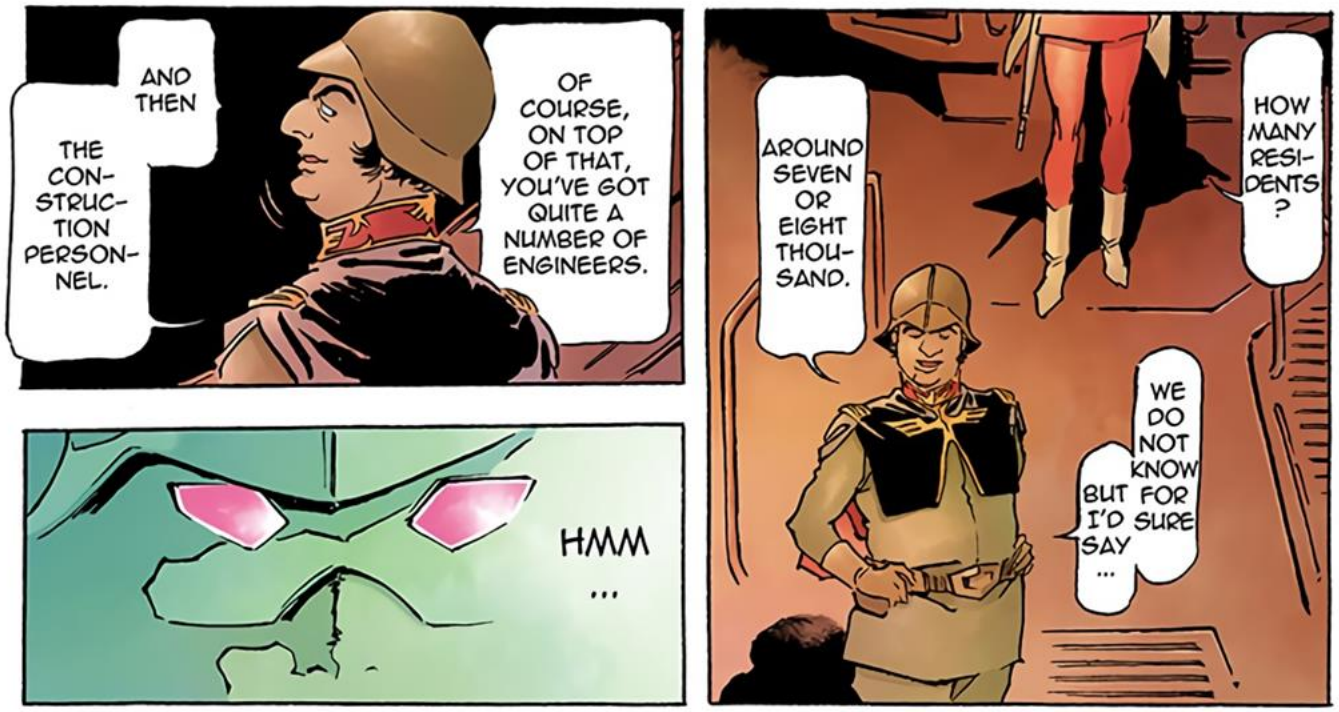
WE MUST NOT PLAY INTO THEIR HANDS!
THAT IS WHY ZEON WISHES FOR AN EARLY TRUCE!
ZONEY


YOU LOOK KINDA BORED.
HEY, BABE,
Yashima Concern Chairman, Shu Yashima
Side 7 address
LOOKS LIKE SHE HAS HER REASONS.
OOOH
JUST GOT DUMPED ? Heh heh
HOW ABOUT A GAME OF CARDS.
NIICE
WE CAN-NOT BUT WIN !!
ZEON LACKS FOR SOL-DIERS!



THE "TROJAN HORSE" HAS ASSUMED INERTIAL NAVIGATION.
SOON SHE'LL REACH SIDE 7-ADMINISTERED SPACE.


AH HA.
IS THAT IT?
YES.
THIS CLOSE, WE CAN SEE IT WITH THE NAKED EYE.
THOSE LIGHTS THERE ARE PROBABLY IT—
HAVE THEY ONLY MADE THE FIRST BUNCH?
IT'S BEEN TWO YEARS SINCE THEY STARTED CONSTRUCTION.
THE FEDS'
SECRET FACILITY.
NOT EVEN THE FIRST BUNCH, THEY'VE STOPPED BUILDING IT HALFWAY.
ALL THEY NEED IS A SITE FOR THE YOU-KNOW-WHAT DEV FACILITY.
SIDE 7 THE COLONY IS JUST
A COVER.


AND THEN
THE CONSTRUCTION PERSONNEL.
OF COURSE, ON TOP OF THAT, YOU'VE GOT QUITE A NUMBER OF ENGINEERS.
HMM ...
HOW MANY RESIDENTS?
AROUND SEVEN OR EIGHT THOUSAND.
WE DO NOT KNOW FOR SURE BUT I'D SAY ...

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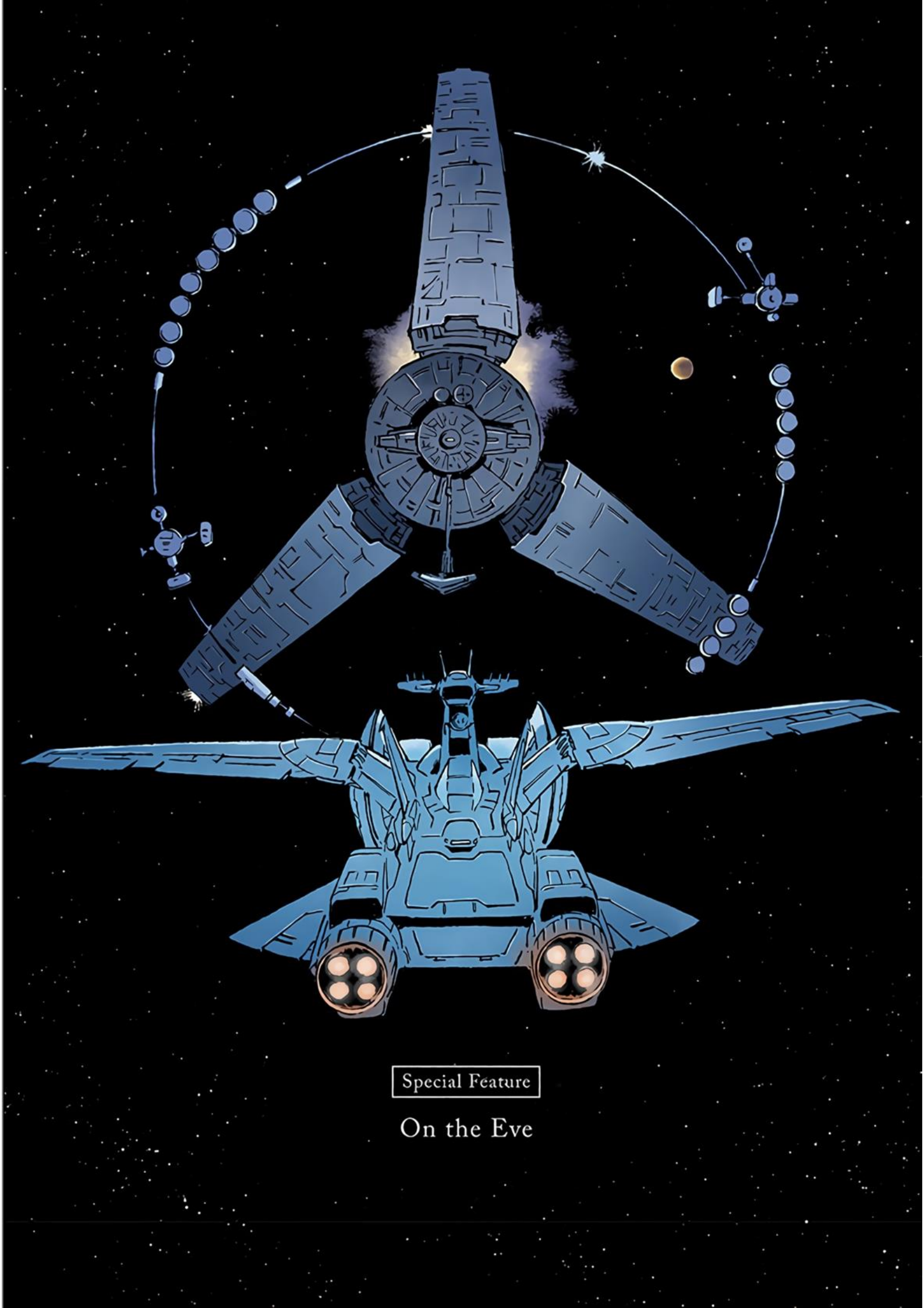
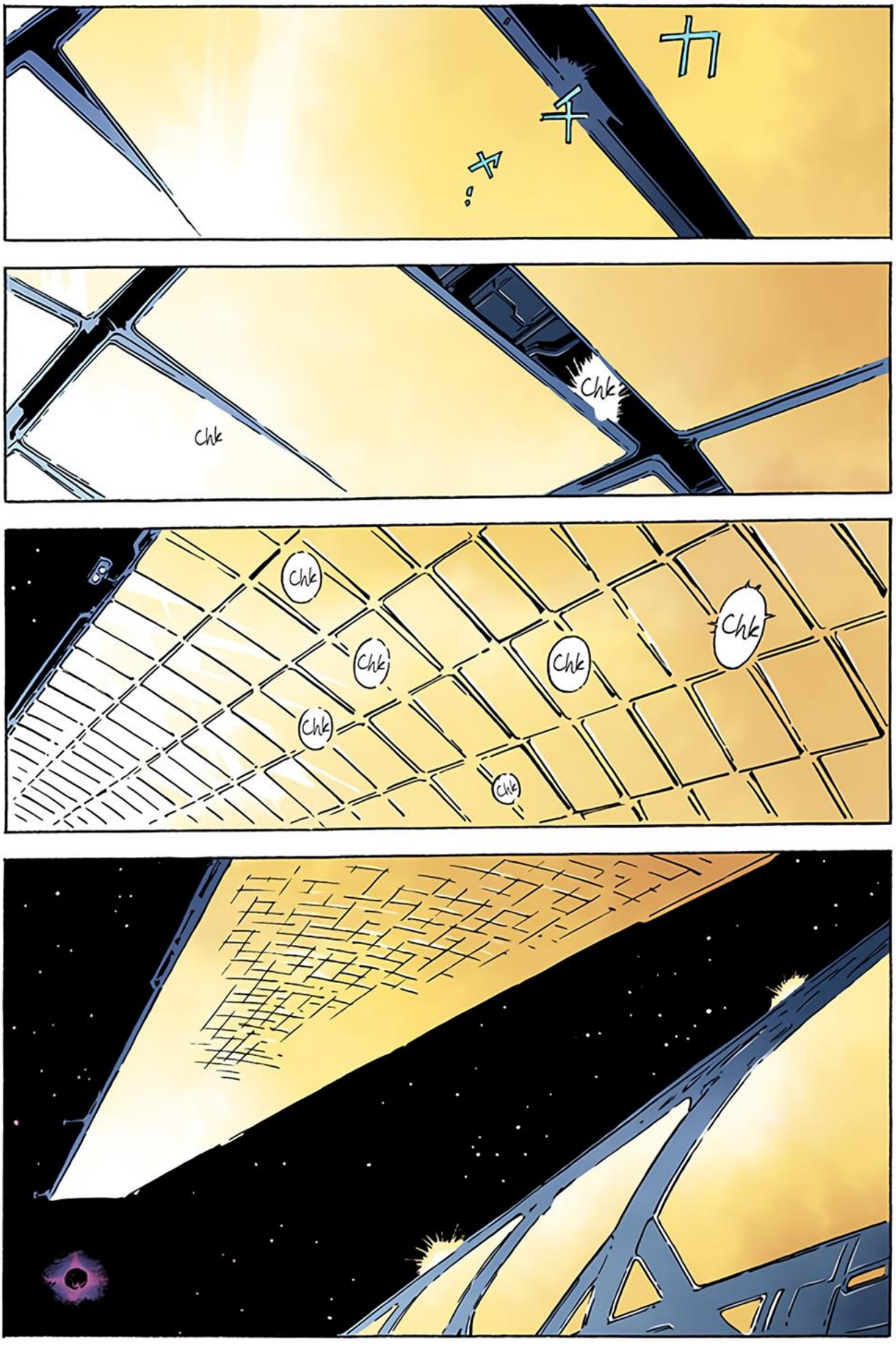


Special Feature

On the Eve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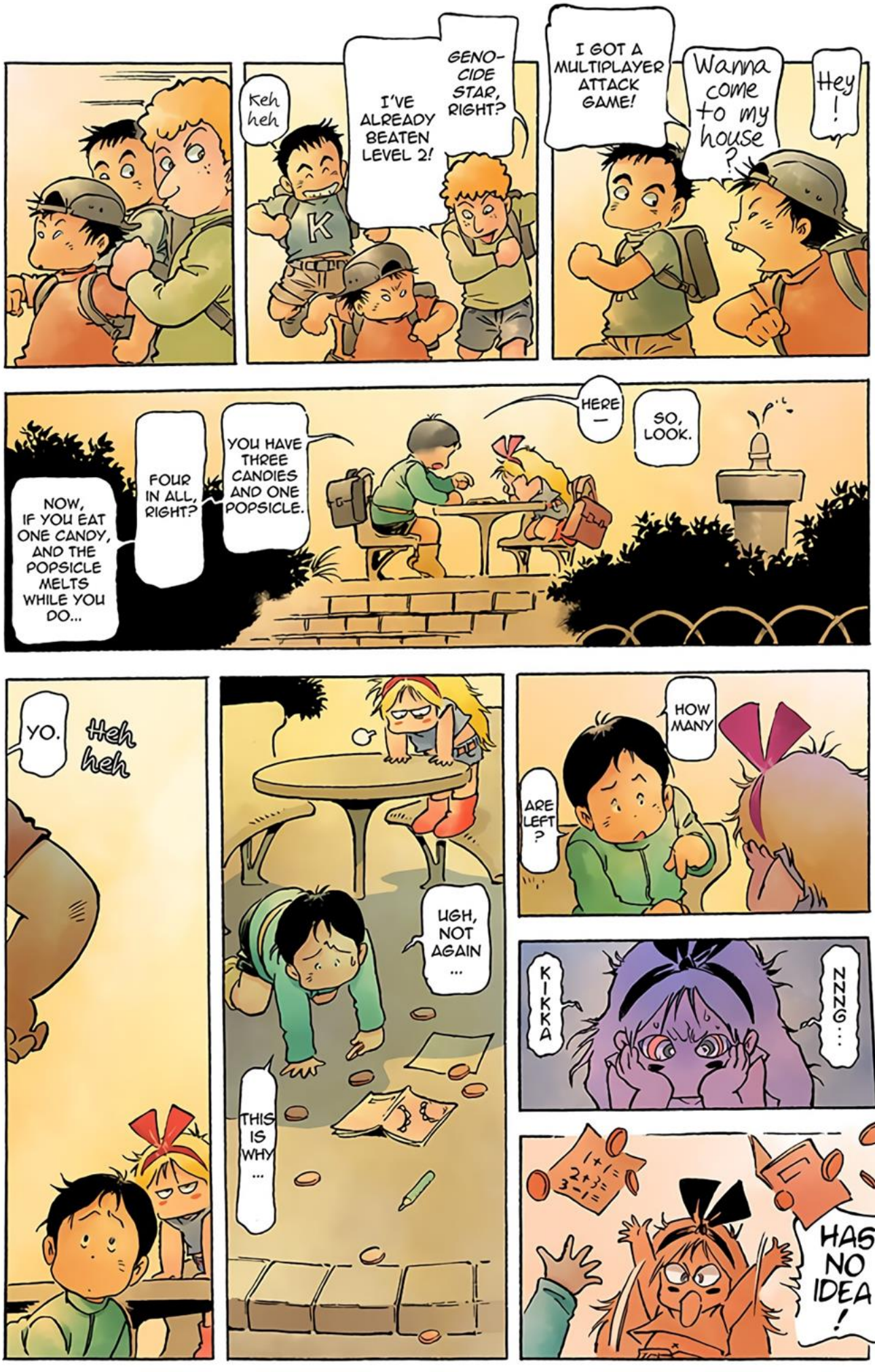
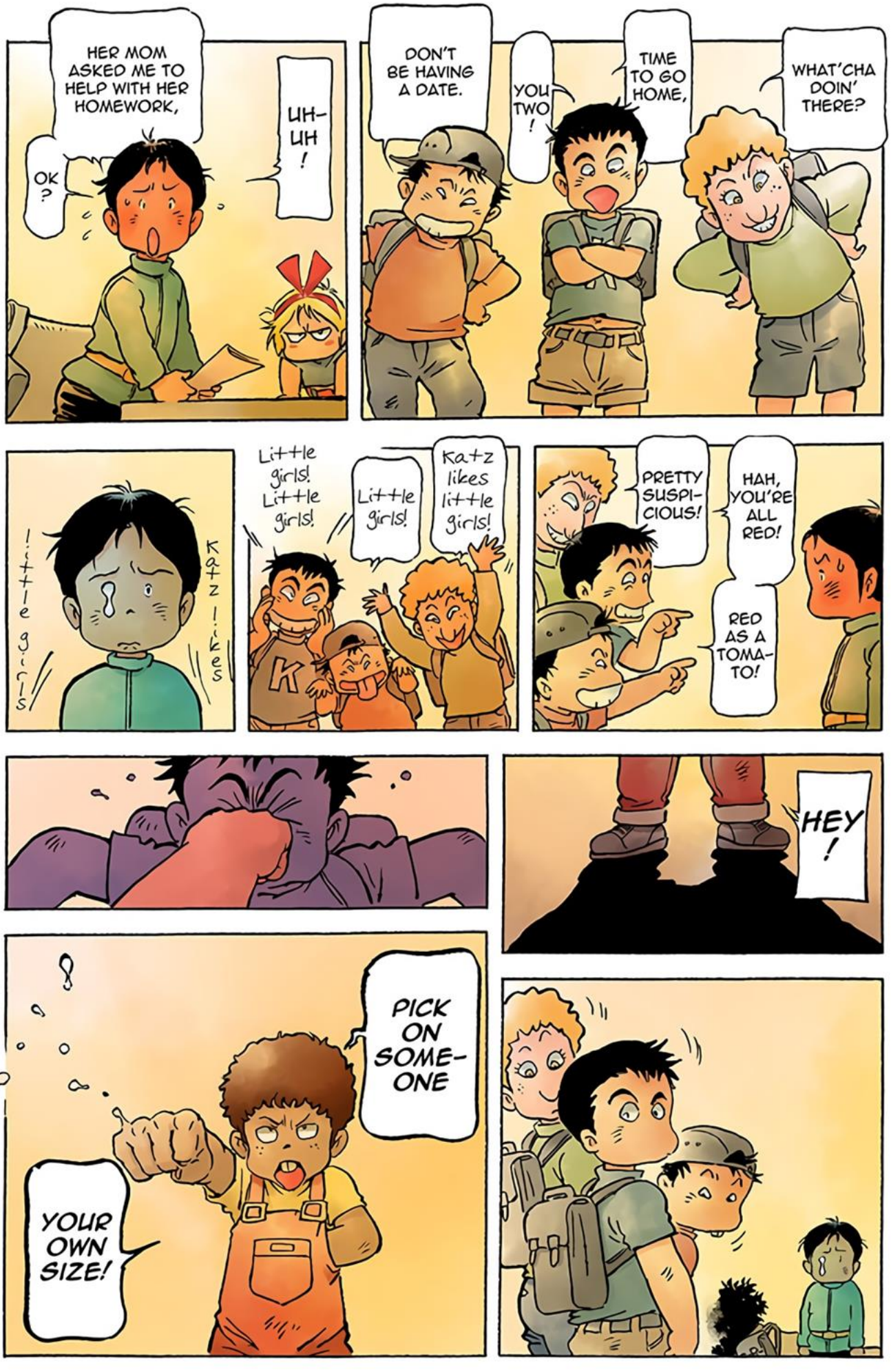
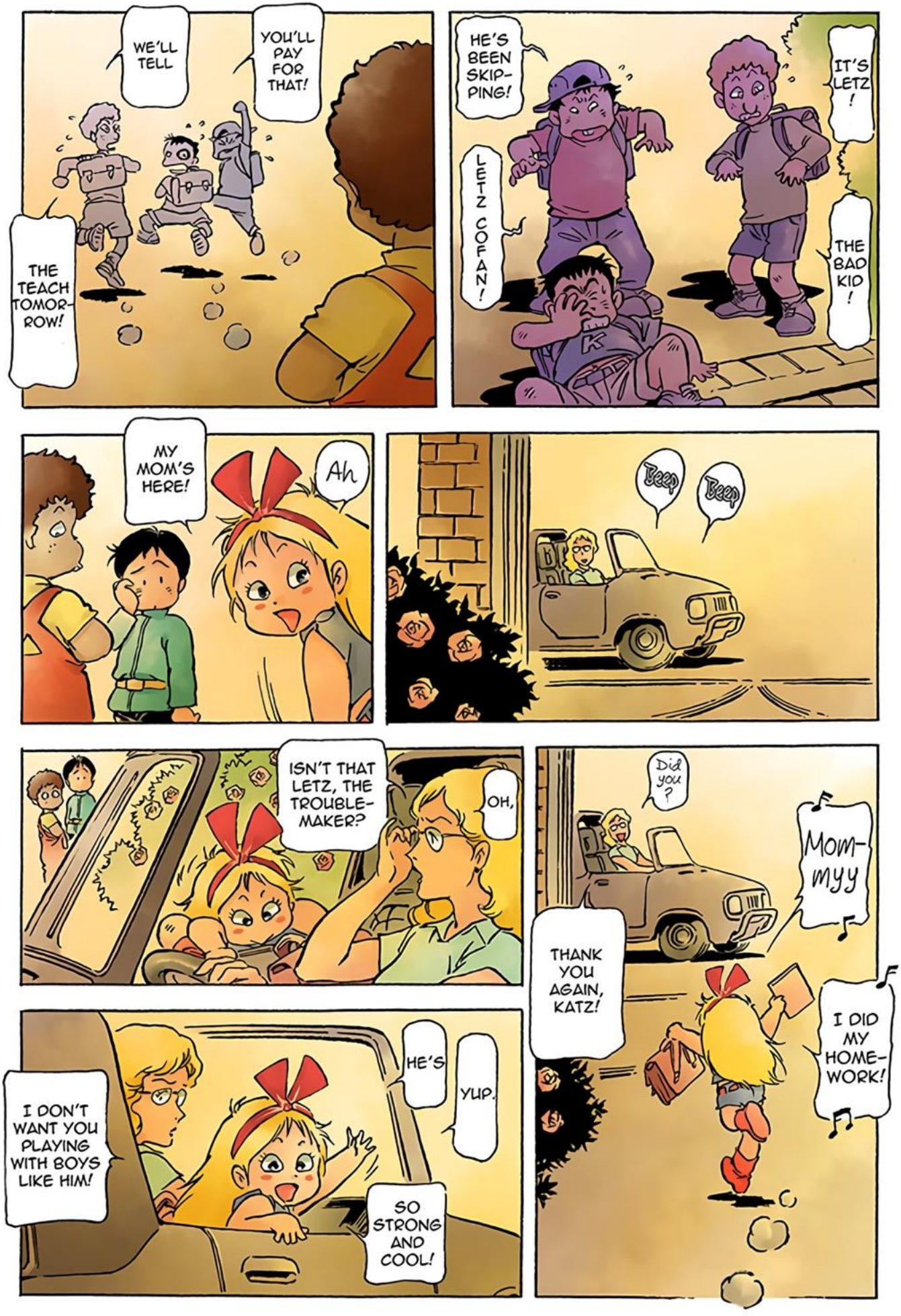
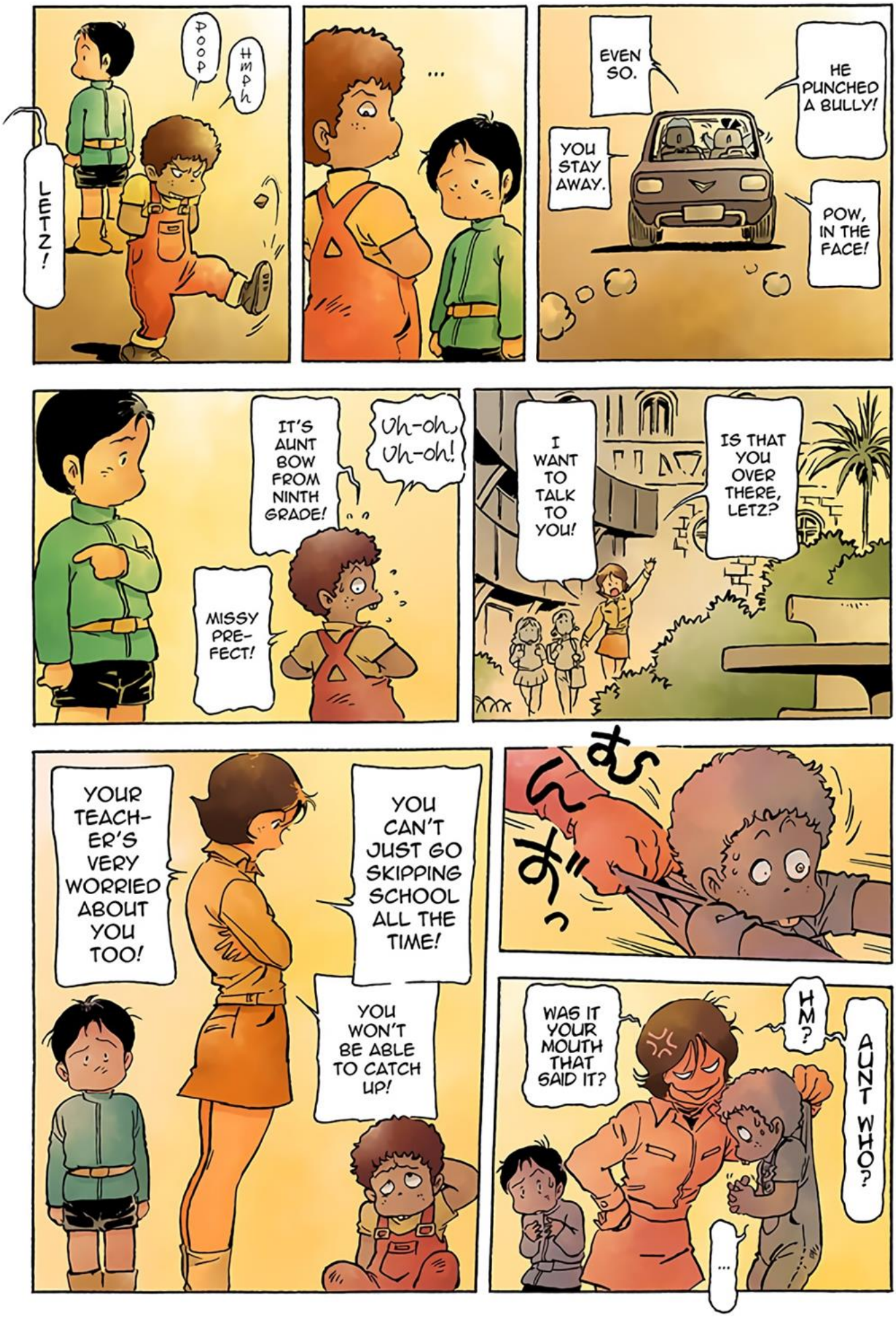

Hey!
Wanna come to my house?
I GOT A MULTIPLAYER ATTACK GAME!
GENO-CIDE STAR, RIGHT?
I'VE ALREADY BEATEN LEVEL 2!
Keh heh
HERE—
SO, LOOK.
YOU HAVE THREE CANDIES AND ONE POPSICLE.
FOUR IN ALL, RIGHT?
NOW, IF YOU EAT ONE CANDY, AND THE POPSICLE MELTS WHILE YOU DO...
HOW MANY
ARE LEFT?
UGH, NOT AGAIN ...
THIS IS WHY ...
YO.
Heh heh
ZZZG...
KIKKA
HAS NO IDEA!


HER MOM ASKED ME TO HELP WITH HER HOMEWORK,
OK?
UH-UH!
DON'T BE HAVING A DATE.
YOU TWO!
TIME TO GO HOME,
WHAT'CHA DOIN' THERE?
Katz likes little girls
Little girls! Little girls!
Little girls!
Katz likes little girls!
PRETTY SUSPICIOUS!
HAH, YOU'RE ALL RED!
RED AS A TOMATO!
HEY!
PICK ON SOMEONE
YOUR OWN SIZE!


WE'LL TELL
YOU'LL PAY FOR THAT!
THE TEACH TOMOR-ROW!
HE'S BEEN SKIP-PING!
IT'S LETZ!
LETZ COFAN!
THE BAD KID!
MY MOM'S HERE!
Ah
Beep
Beep
ISN'T THAT LETZ, THE TROUBLE-MAKER?
OH,
Did you?
Mom-myy
THANK YOU AGAIN, KATZ!
I DID MY HOME-WORK!
I DON'T WANT YOU PLAYING WITH BOYS LIKE HIM!
HE'S
YUP.
SO STRONG AND COOL!


LETZ!
POOP
HMPH
...
EVEN SO.
HE PUNCHED A BULLY!
YOU STAY AWAY.
POW, IN THE FACE!
Uh-oh, Uh-oh!
IT'S AUNT BOW FROM NINTH GRADE!
MISSY PRE-FECT!
I WANT TO TALK TO YOU!
IS THAT YOU OVER THERE, LETZ?
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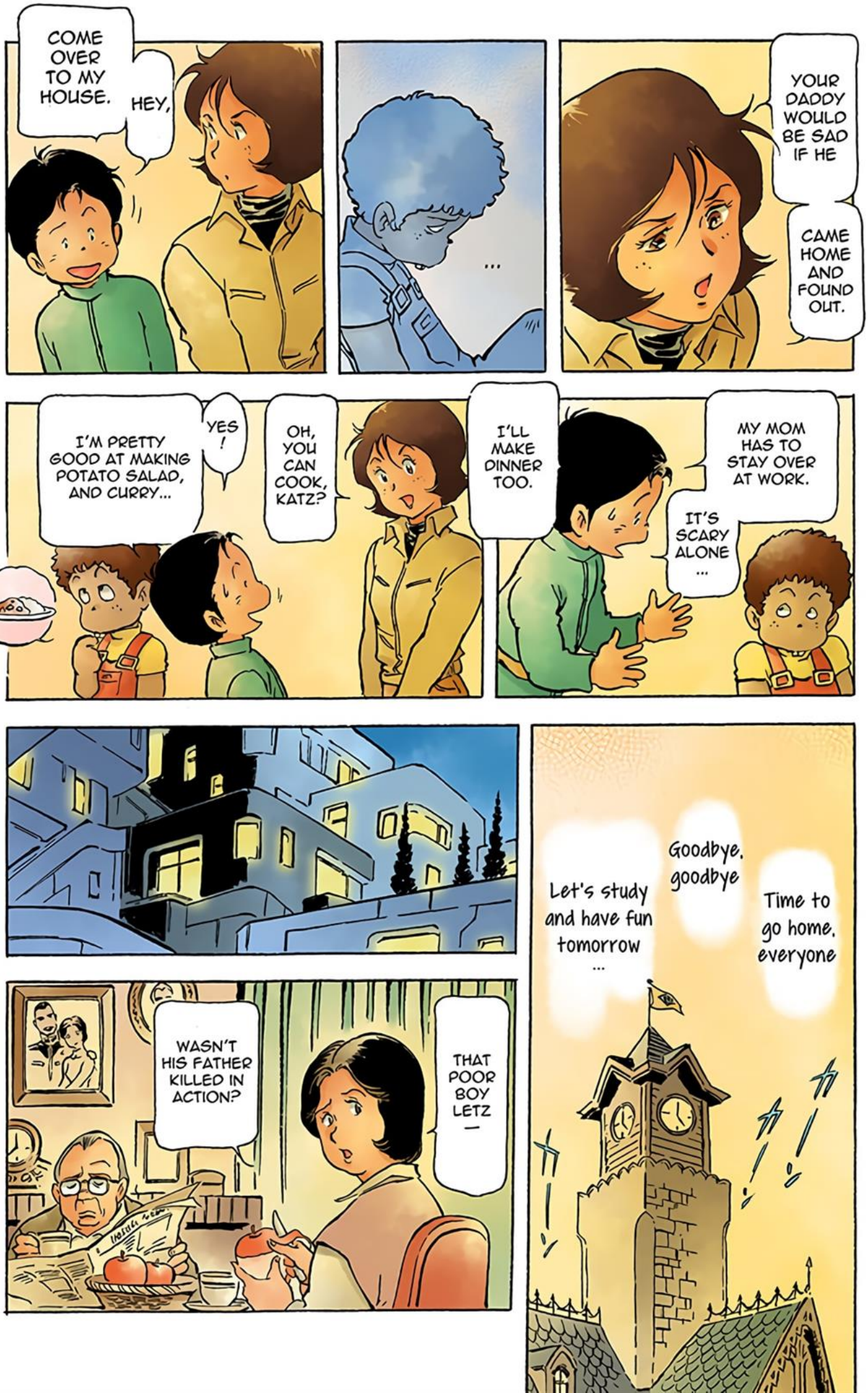
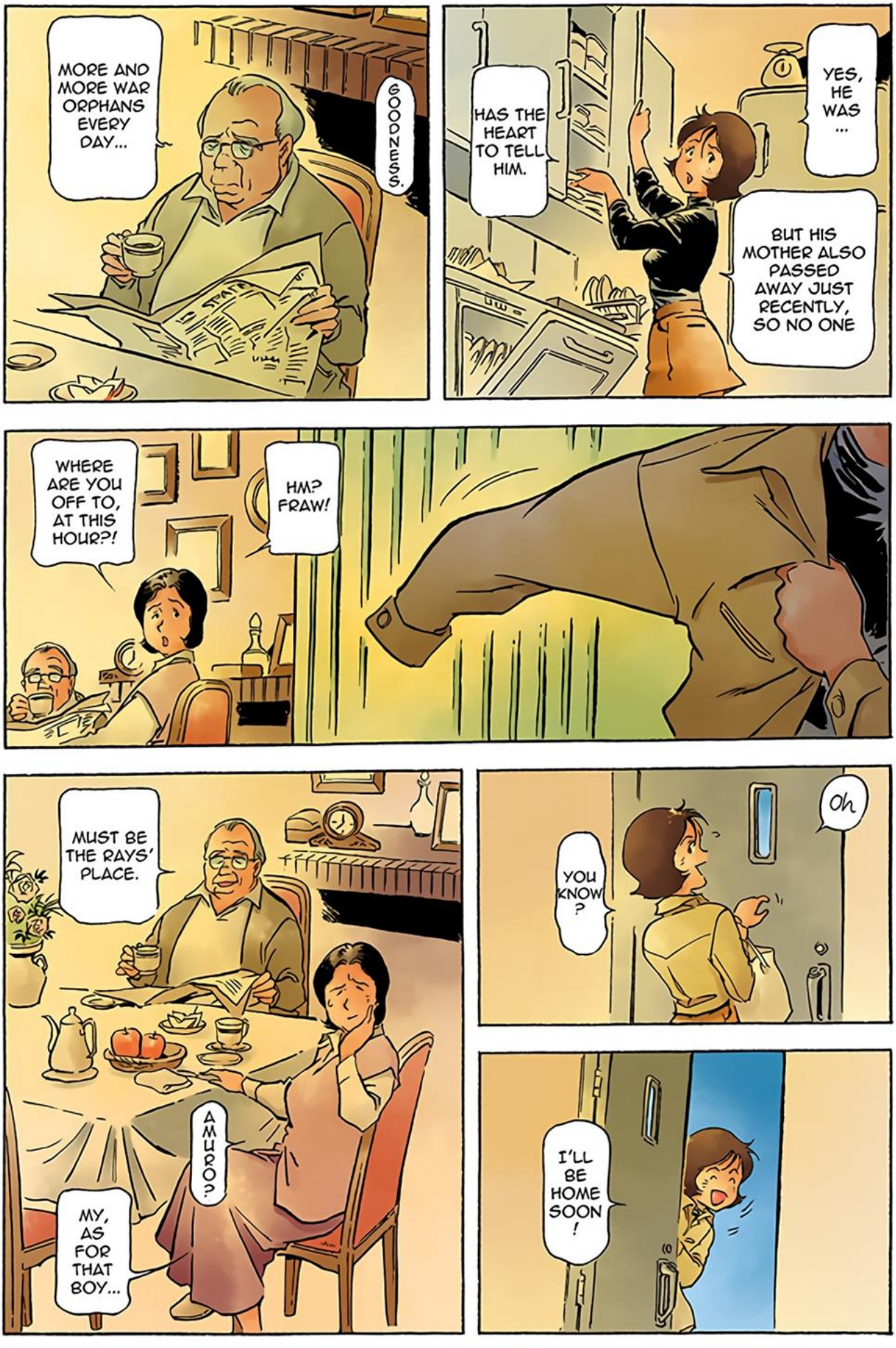
YOUR TEACH-ER'S VERY WORRIED ABOUT YOU TOO!
YOU CAN'T JUST GO SKIPPING SCHOOL ALL THE TIME!
YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO CATCH UP!
WAS IT YOUR MOUTH THAT SAID IT?
HM?
AUNT WHO?
...


COME OVER TO MY HOUSE.
HEY,
...
YOUR DADDY WOULD BE SAD IF HE
CAME HOME AND FOUND OUT.
I'M PRETTY GOOD AT MAKING POTATO SALAD, AND CURRY...
YES !
OH, YOU CAN COOK, KATZ?
I'LL MAKE DINNER TOO.
MY MOM HAS TO STAY OVER AT WORK.
IT'S SCARY ALONE ...
WASN'T HIS FATHER KILLED IN ACTION?
THAT POOR BOY LETZ —
Let's study and have fun tomorrow ...
Goodbye, goodbye
Time to go home, everyone


MORE AND MORE WAR ORPHANS EVERY DAY...
GOODNESS.
HAS THE HEART TO TELL HIM.
YES, HE WAS ...
BUT HIS MOTHER ALSO PASSED AWAY JUST RECENTLY, SO NO ONE
WHERE ARE YOU OFF TO, AT THIS HOUR?!
HM? FRAW!
MUST BE THE RAYS' PLACE.
AMURO?
MY, AS FOR THAT BOY...
YOU KNOW?
Oh
I'LL BE HOME SOON!

I'M SURE HE'S A GOOD KID,
BUT HE'S GOT ISSUES ...
WHAT ARE HIS PARENTS THINKING ?

LEAVING A BOY HIS AGE
ALONE ALL THE TIME...
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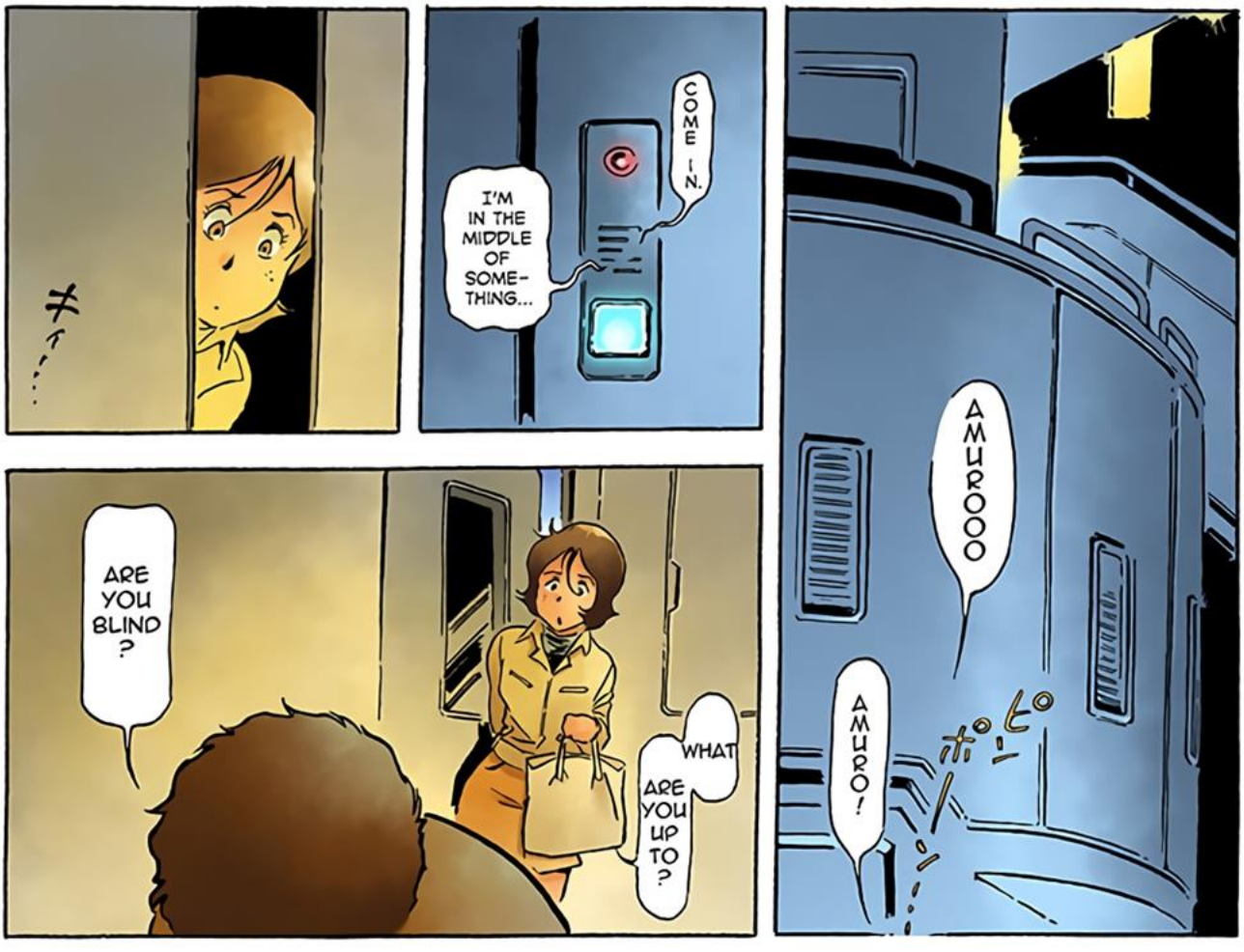
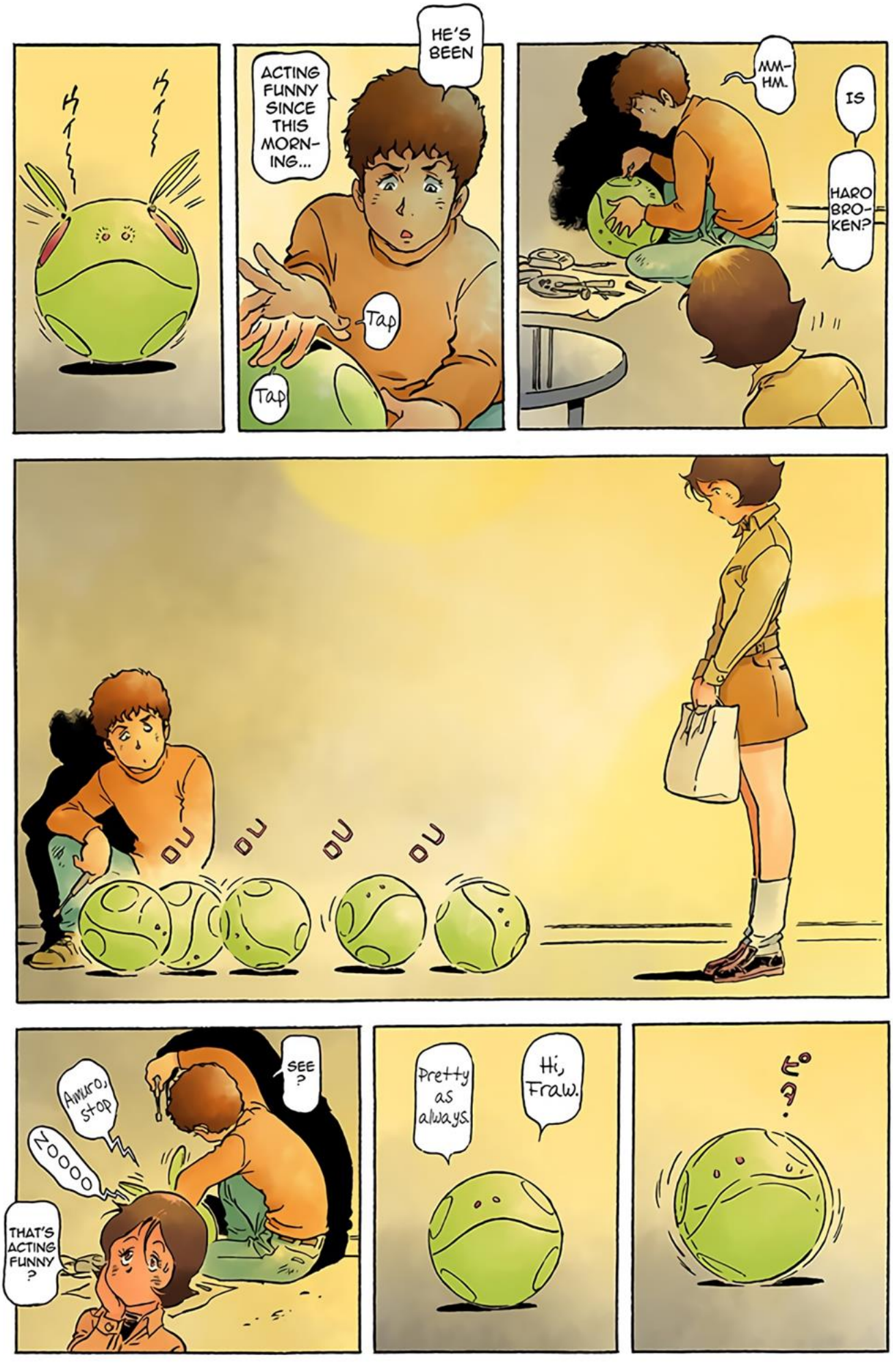

AMUROOO
AMURO!
COME IN.
I'M IN THE MIDDLE OF SOME-THING...
ARE YOU BLIND ?
WHAT ARE YOU UP TO ?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HE'S BEEN
ACTING FUNNY SINCE THIS MORN-ING...
Tap
Tap
MM-HM.
IS
HARO BRO-KEN?
SEE ?
Amuro, stop
ZOOOO
THAT'S ACTING FUNNY ?
Pretty as always.
Hi, Fraw.
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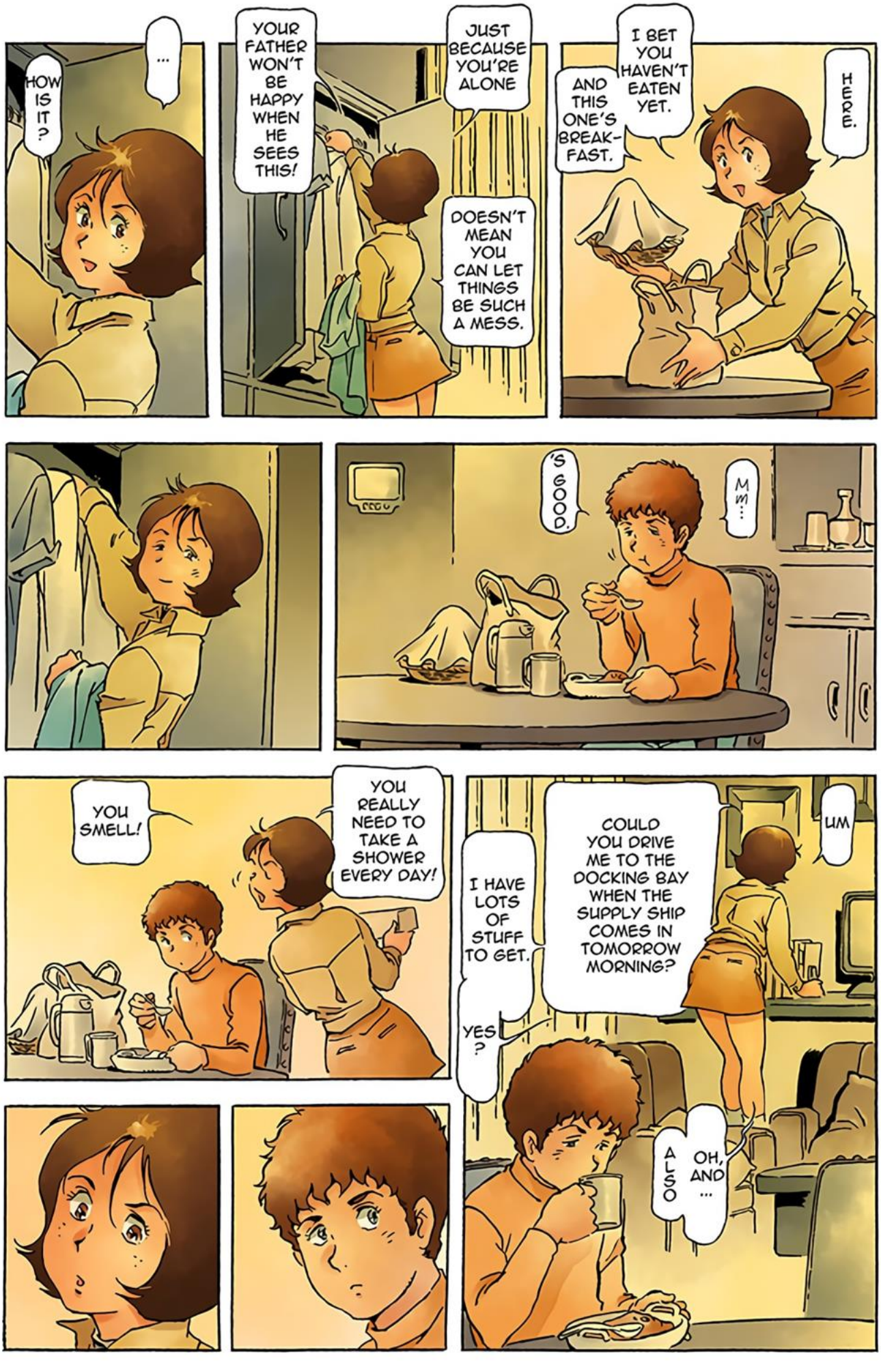
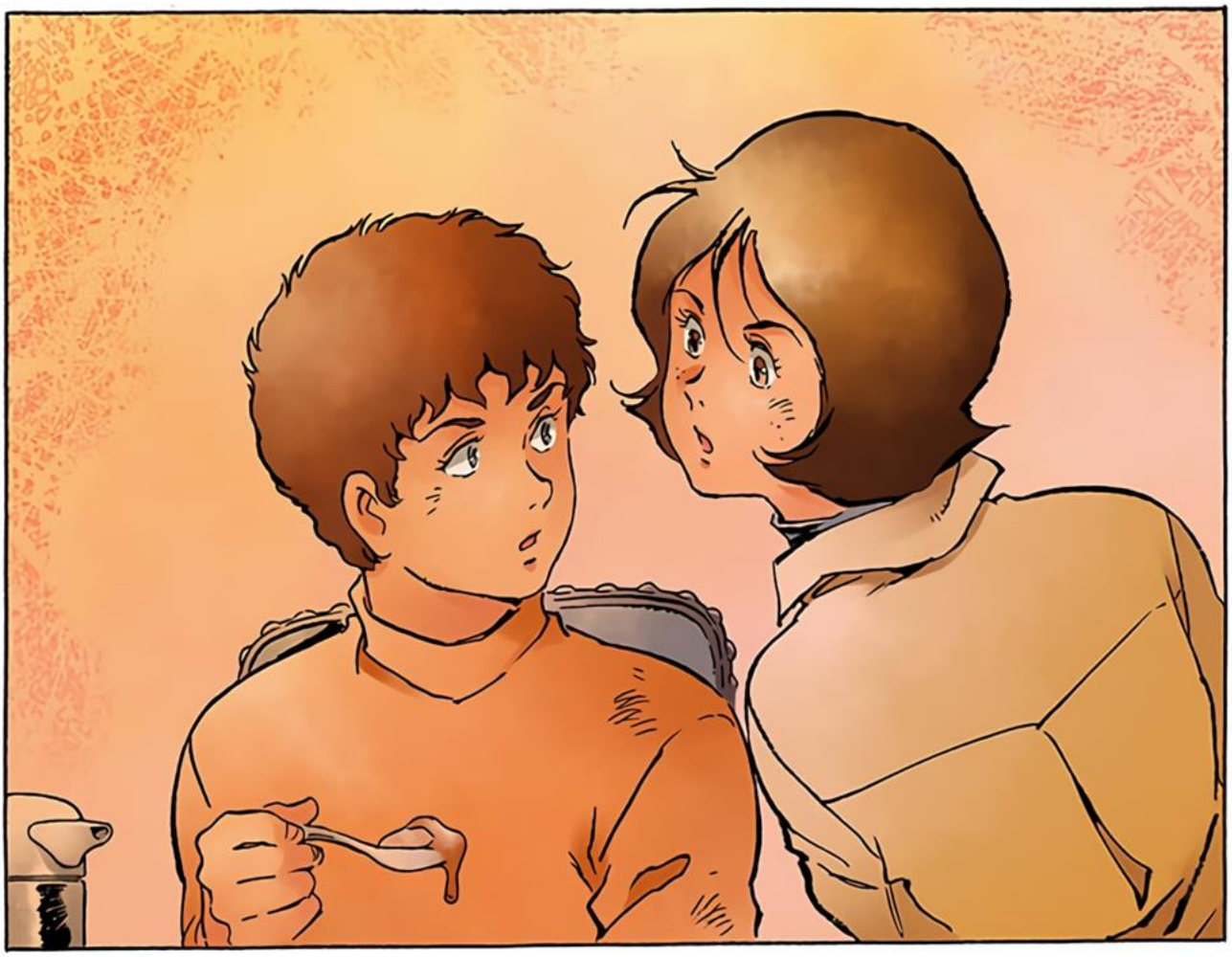
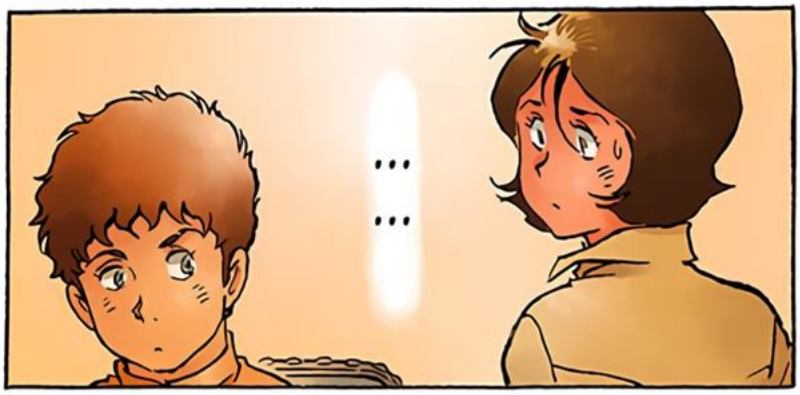

HERE.
I BET YOU HAVEN'T EATEN YET.
AND THIS ONE'S BREAK-FAST.
JUST BECAUSE YOU'RE ALONE
DOESN'T MEAN YOU CAN LET THINGS BE SUCH A MESS.
YOUR FATHER WON'T BE HAPPY WHEN HE SEES THIS!
...
HOW IS IT?
MM...
'S GOOD.
YOU SMELL!
YOU REALLY NEED TO TAKE A SHOWER EVERY DAY!
UM
COULD YOU DRIVE ME TO THE DOCKING BAY WHEN THE SUPPLY SHIP COMES IN TOMORROW MORNING?
I HAVE LOTS OF STUFF TO GET.
YES?
OH, AND ... ALSO



I'LL COME OVER.
G'NIGHT!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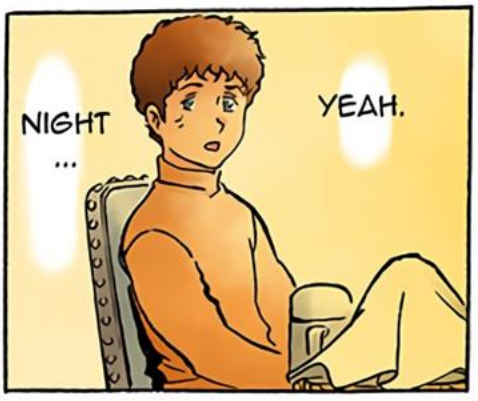
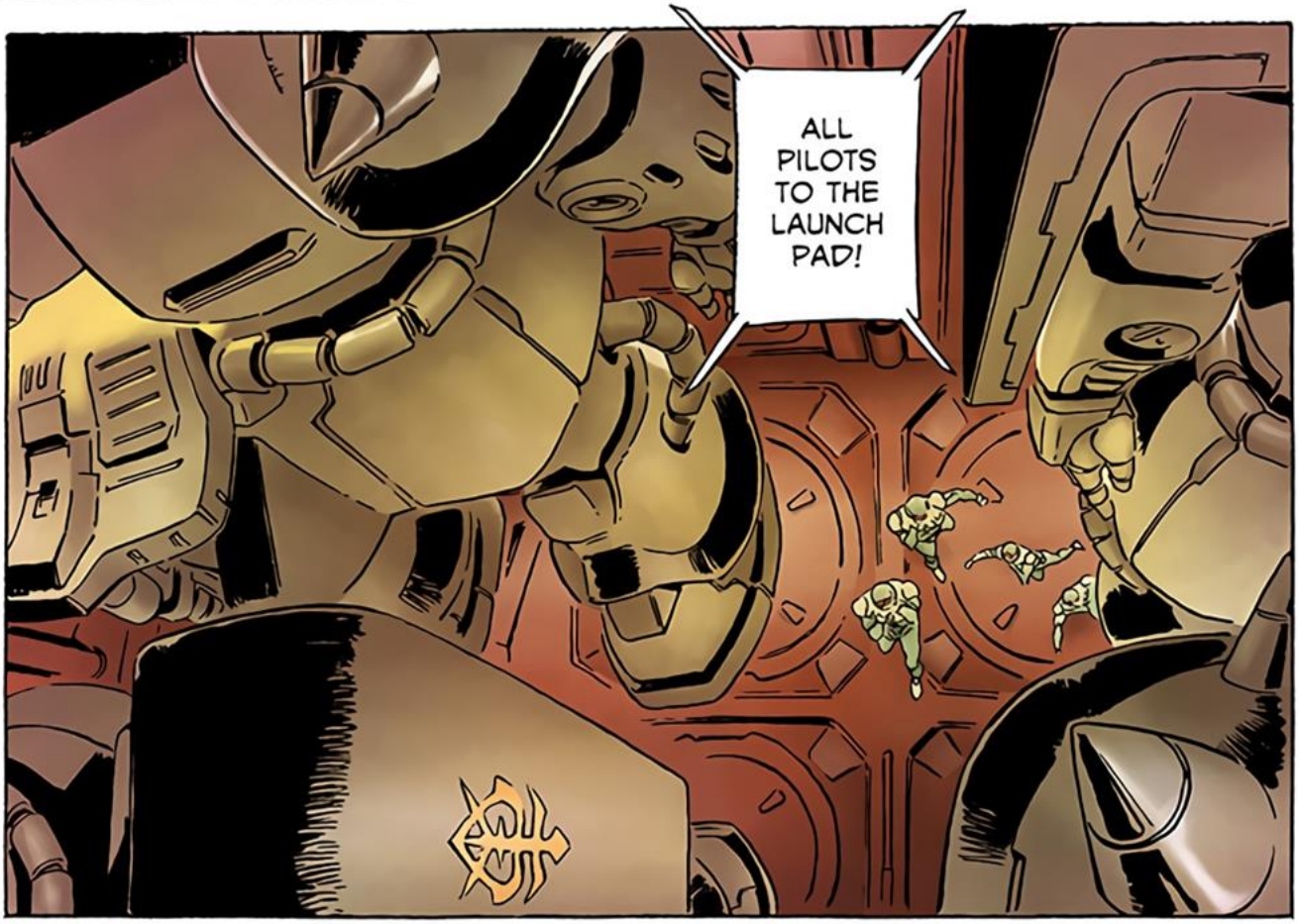
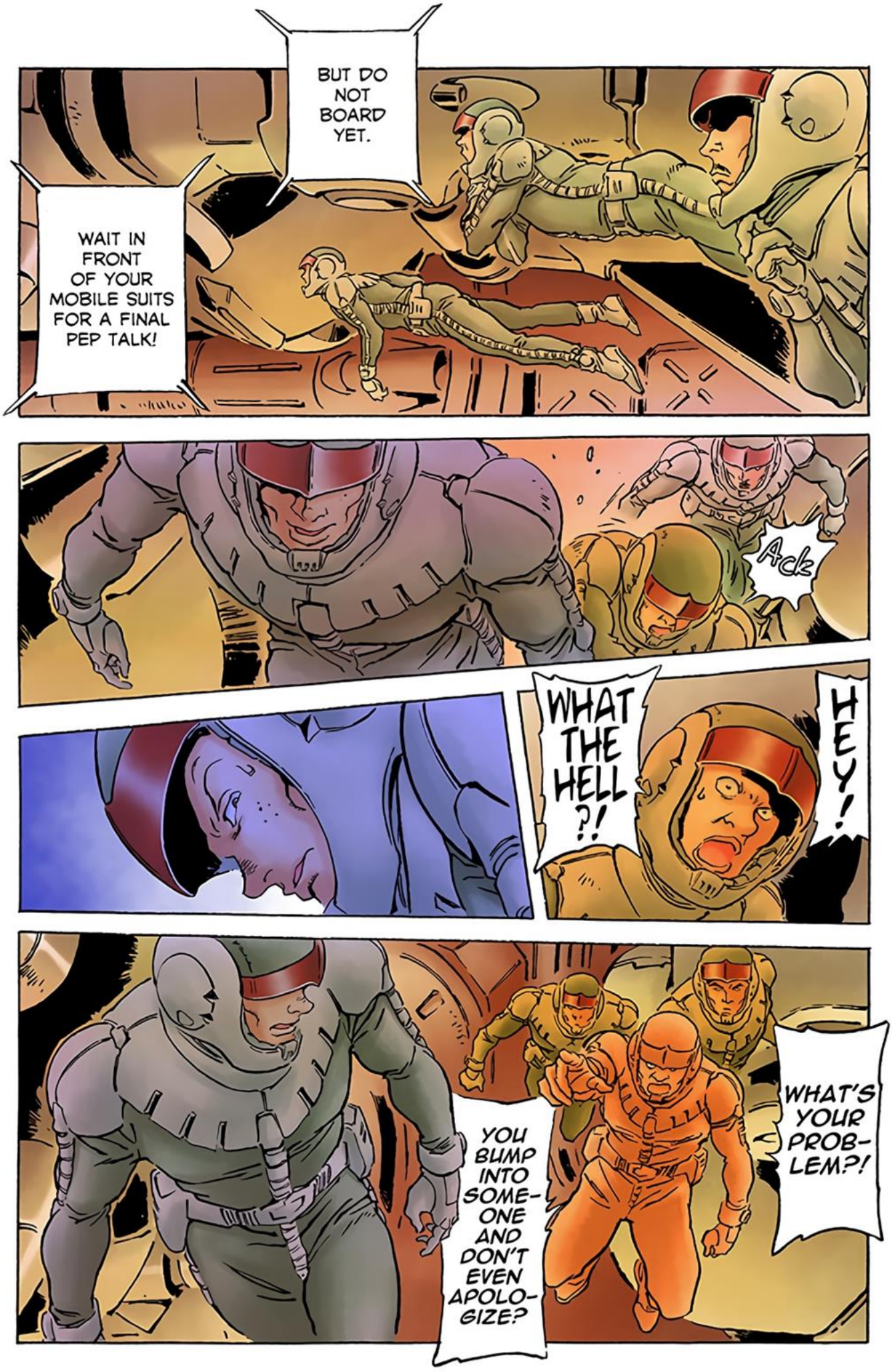

NIGHT ...
YEAH.

DON'T FOR-GET!
SEE YOU IN THE MORN-ING.

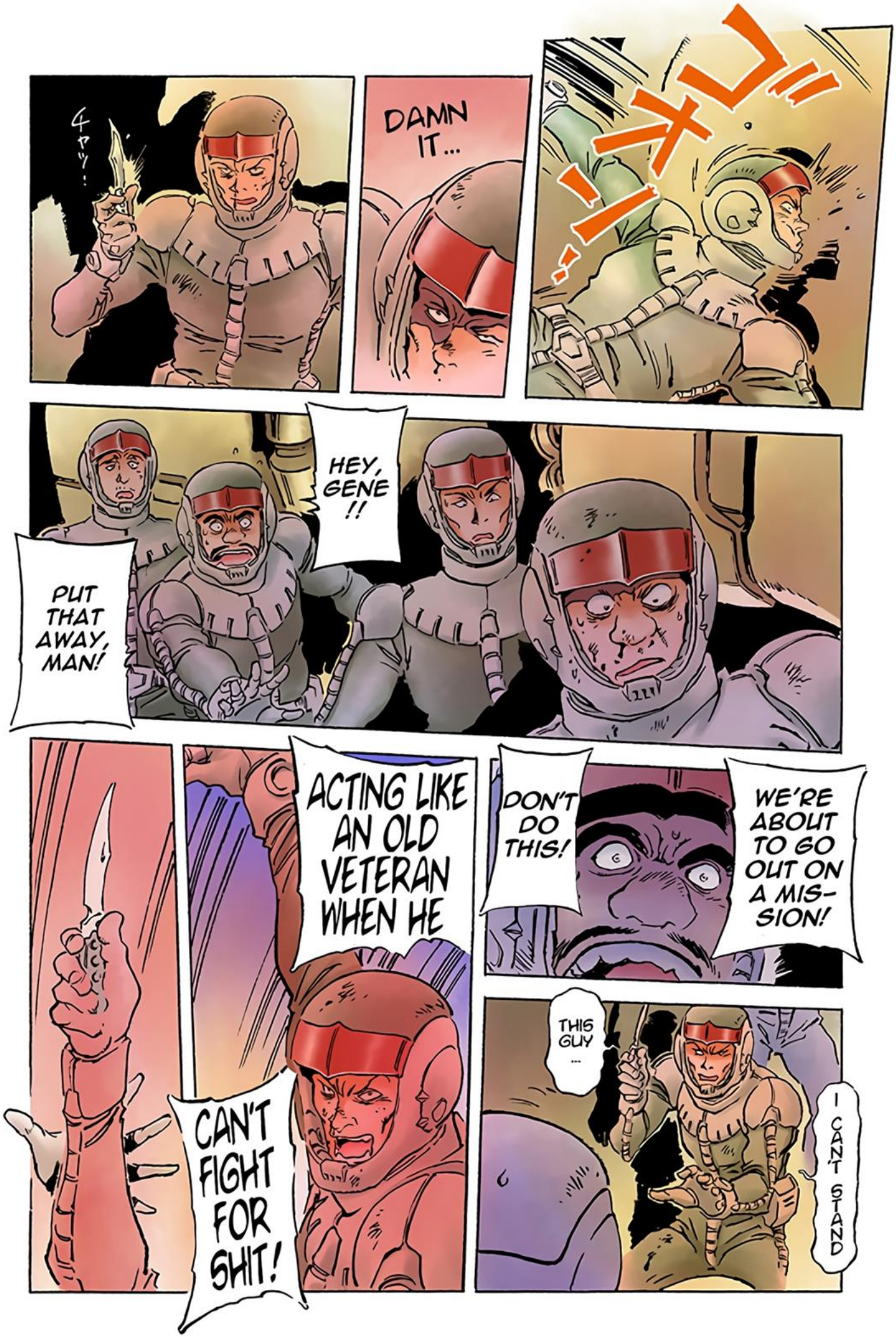
UGH
YOU REALLY SMELL!
FIL-THY ...


ALL PILOTS TO THE LAUNCH PAD!

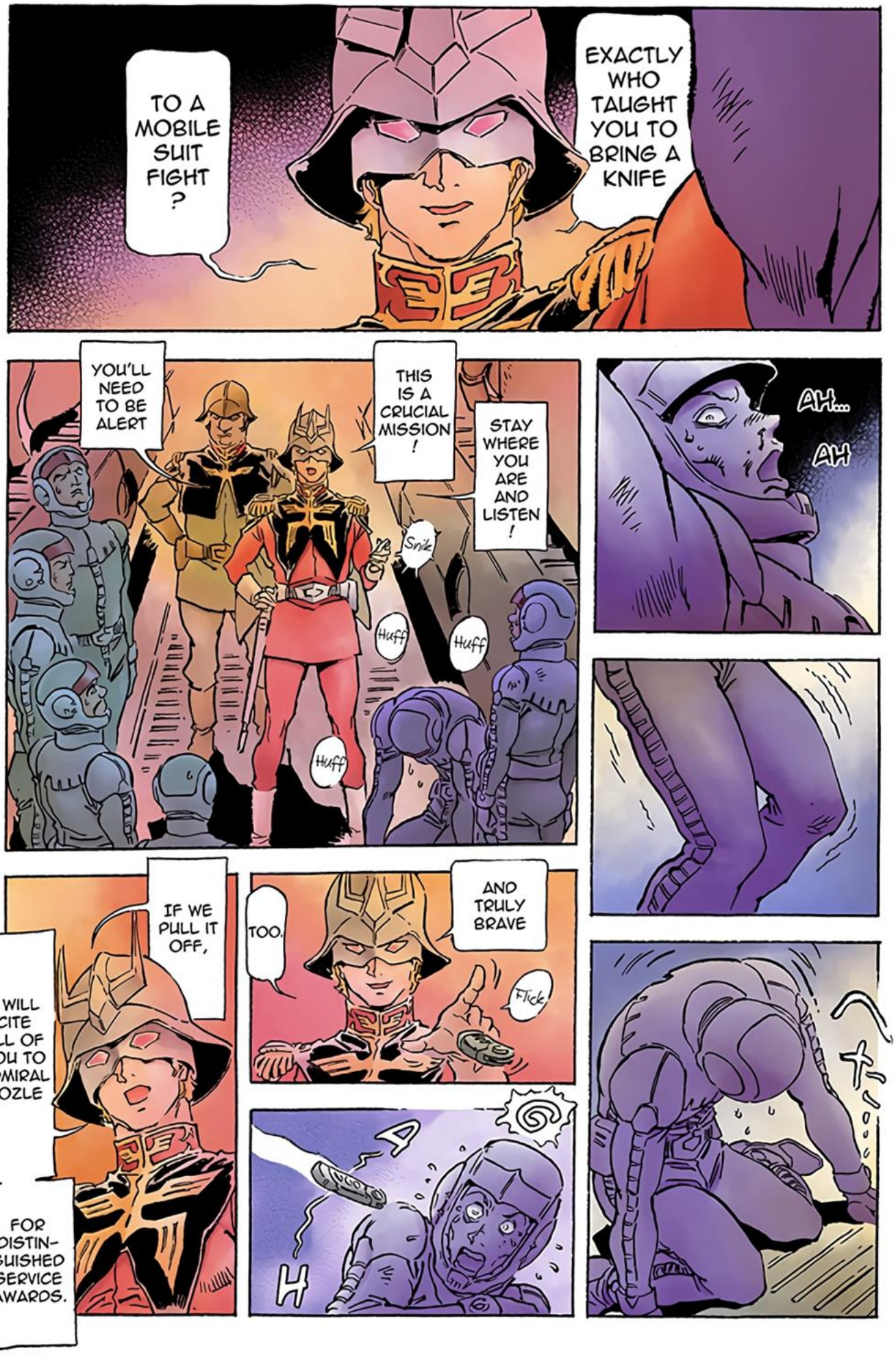

BUT DO NOT BOARD YET.
WAIT IN FRONT OF YOUR MOBILE SUITS FOR A FINAL PEP TALK!
Ack
HEY!
WHAT THE HELL?!
WHAT'S YOUR PROB-LEM?!
YOU BUMP INTO SOME-ONE AND DON'T EVEN APOLO-GIZE?

PISSIN' HIS PANTS, IS HE?
HM !
IT'S HIS FIRST TIME OUT AND HE'S WOUND UP.
FORGET HIM.
AH, GENE ...
WHO IS IT ?
H-
Hey
WHAT'S YOUR PROB-LEM?!
I DON'T GIVE A SHIT HOW MANY TIMES YOU'VE BEEN
OUT IN A ZAKU!
WHAT'VE YOU GOT TO SHOW FOR IT? NUTHIN'!
YEAH, IT'S MY FIRST MISSION.
SO WHAT?
WHAT DID YOU SAY?

WHY
OOF
YOUUUU
PA-CHECO, CUT IT OUT!
YOU TOO, GENE!!
QUIT THAT !!



DAMN IT...
HEY, GENE !!
PUT THAT AWAY, MAN!
WE'RE ABOUT TO GO OUT ON A MIS-SION!
DON'T DO THIS!
ACTING LIKE AN OLD VETERAN WHEN HE
CAN'T FIGHT FOR SHIT!
THIS GUY ...
I CAN'T STAND


TO A MOBILE SUIT FIGHT ?
EXACTLY WHO TAUGHT YOU TO BRING A KNIFE
YOU'LL NEED TO BE ALERT
THIS IS A CRUCIAL MISSION !
STAY WHERE YOU ARE AND LISTEN !
Snik
Huff
Huff
Huff
AH...
AH
IF WE PULL IT OFF,
I WILL CITE ALL OF YOU TO ADMIRAL DOZLE
FOR DISTIN-GUISHED SERVICE AWARDS.
TOO.
AND TRULY BRAVE
Flick
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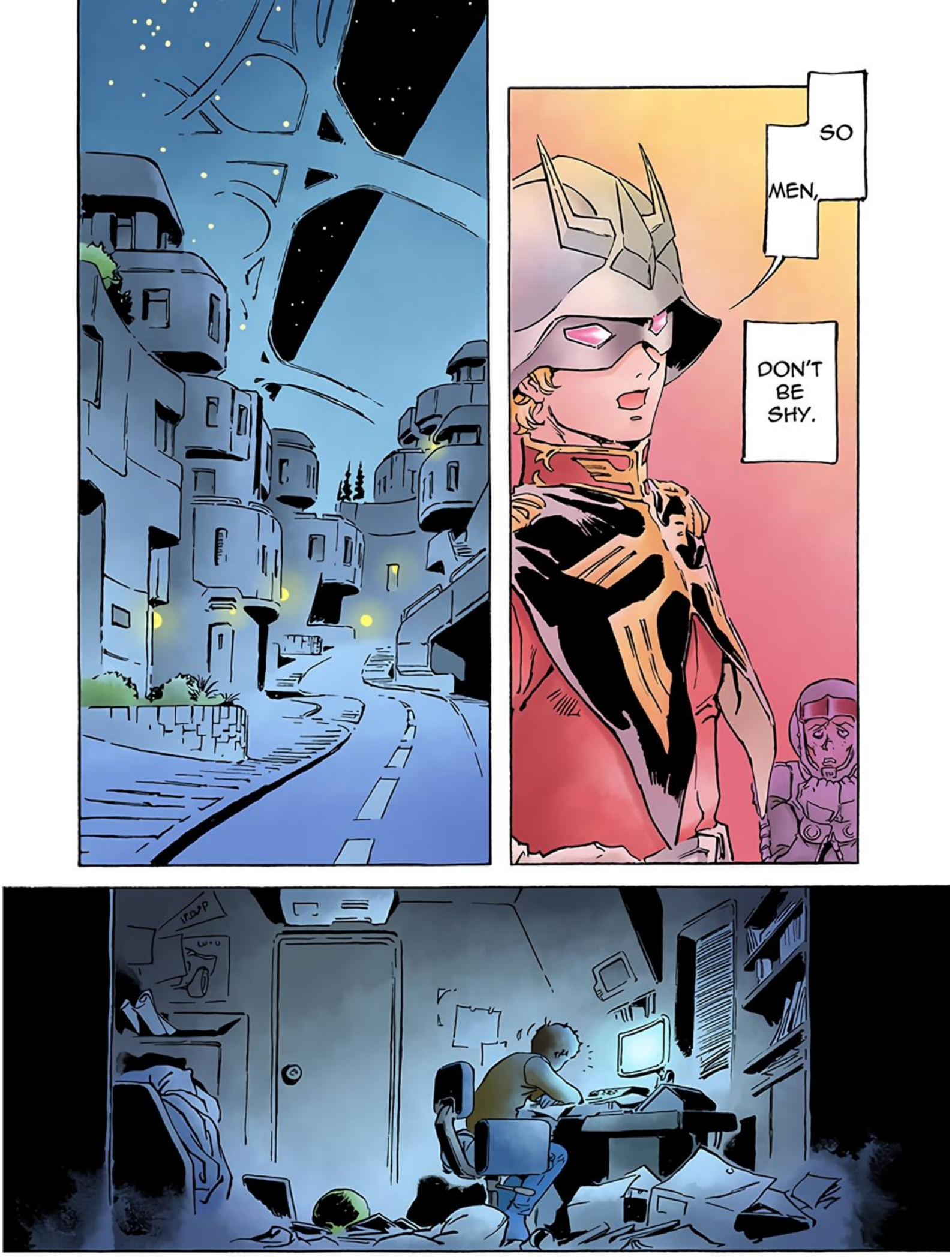
SO MEN,
DON'T BE SHY.

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UH-OH
I
DOZED OFF AGAIN ...
OH
YEAH.
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SHOWER...
I NEED
A SHOWER...
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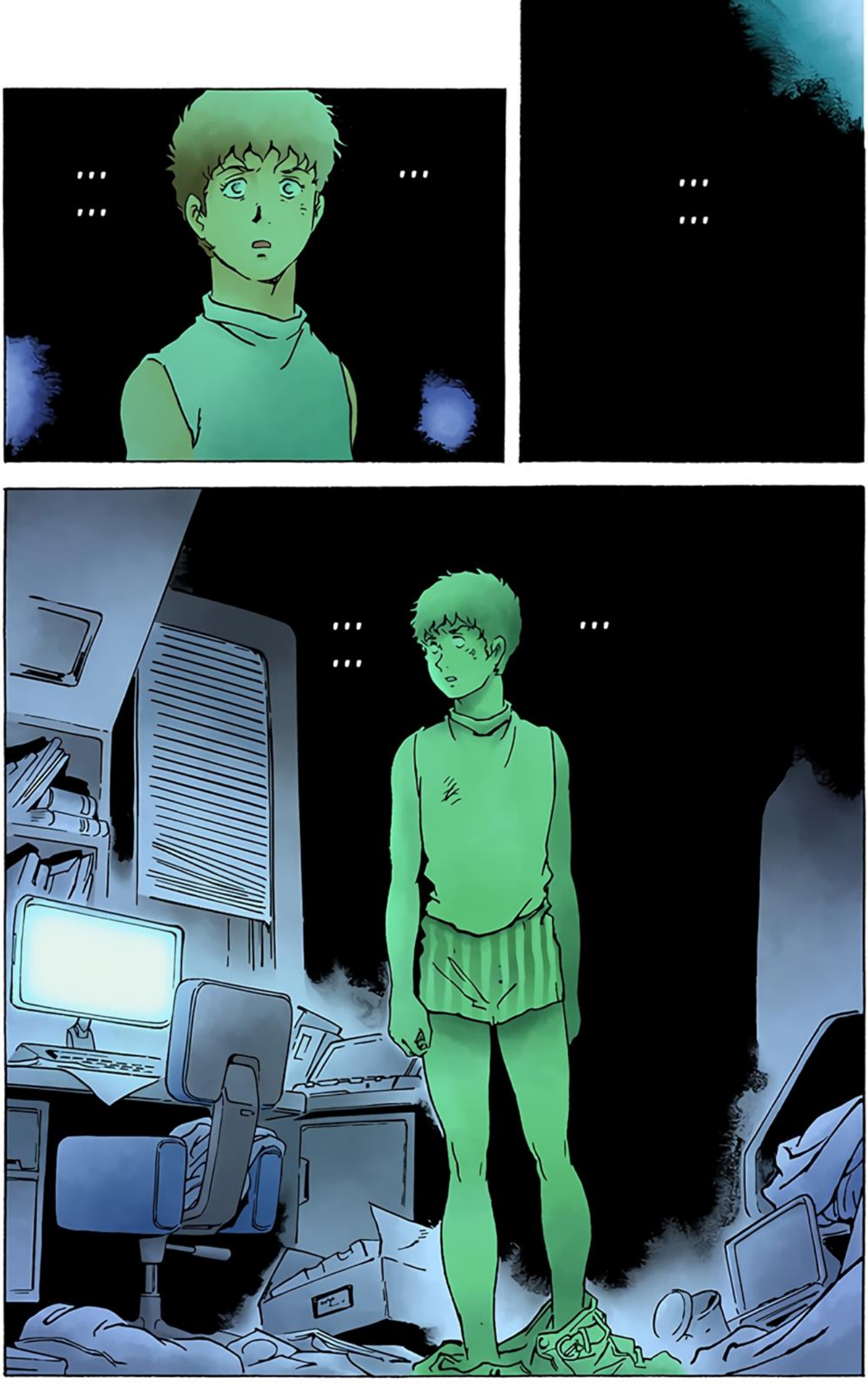
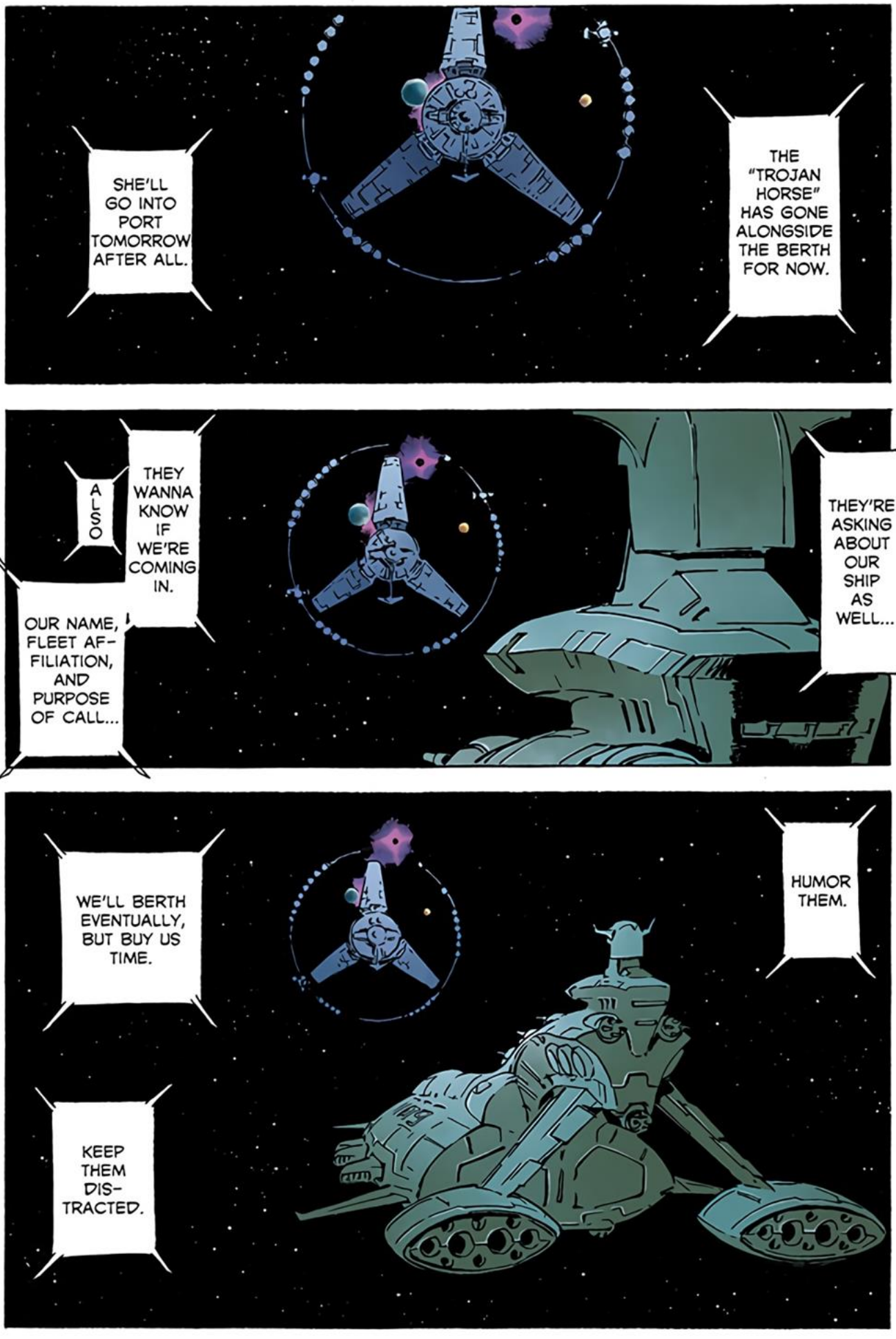
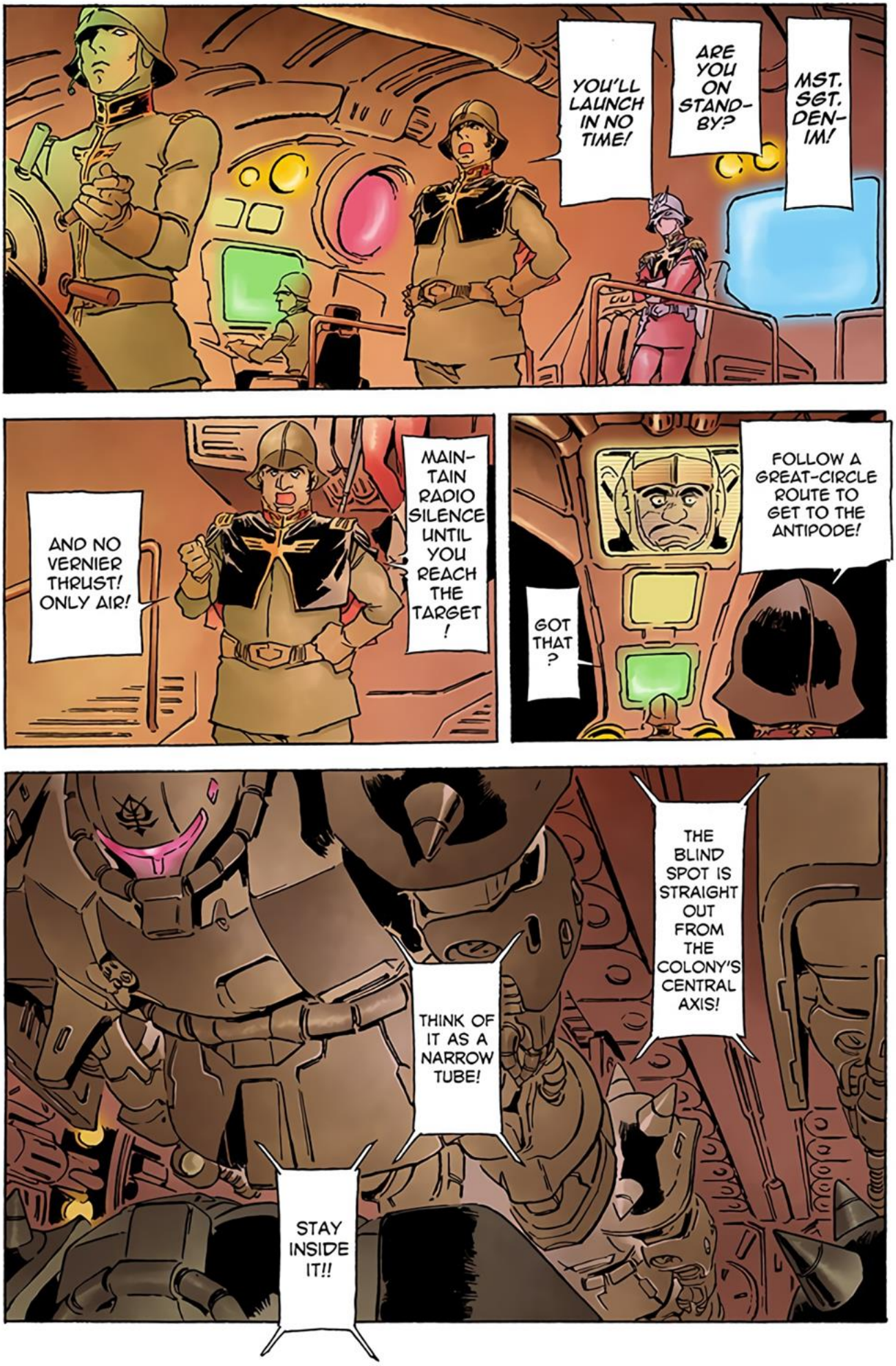
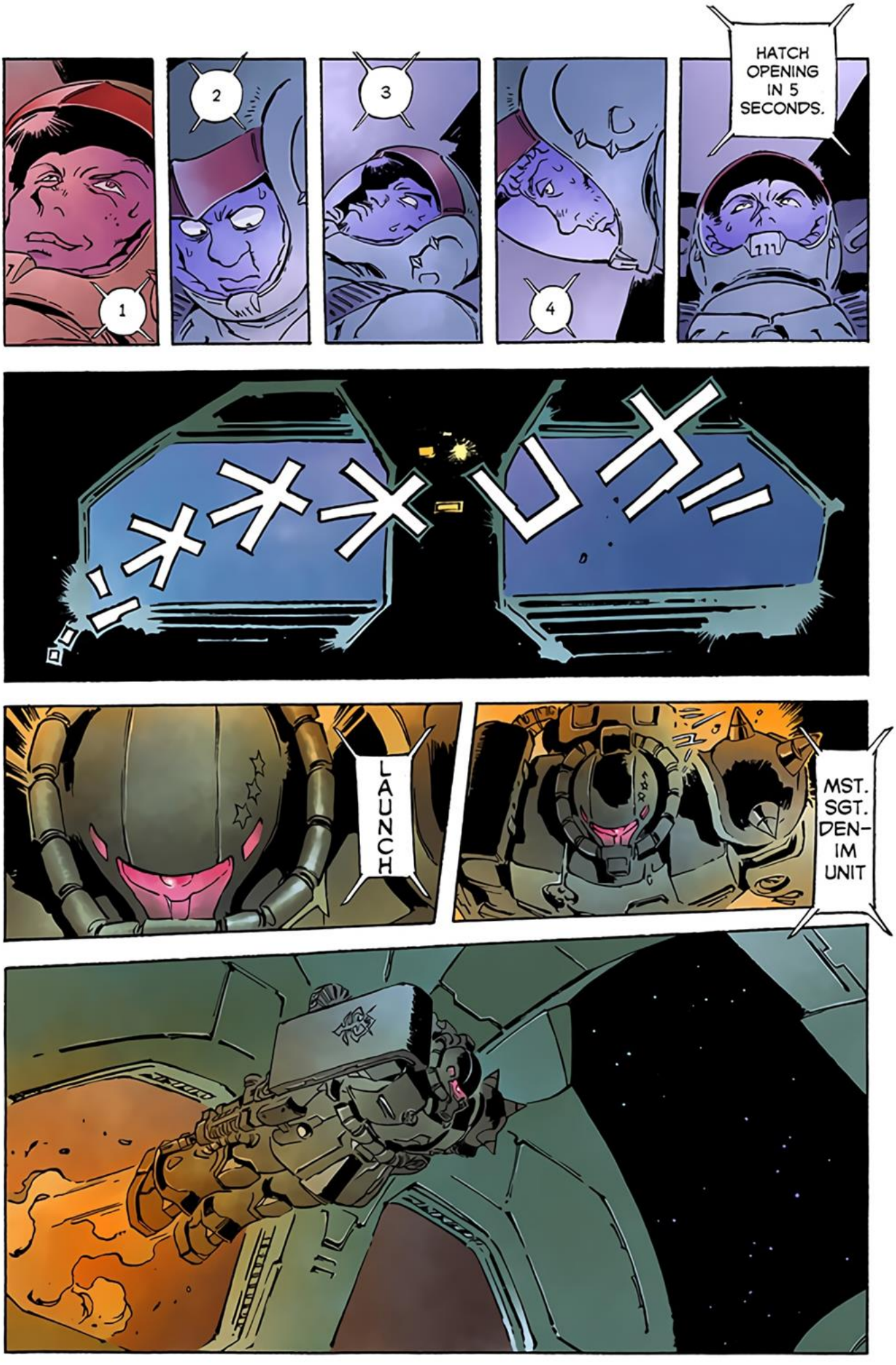
STINK
Stink ...




SHE'LL GO INTO PORT TOMORROW AFTER ALL.
THE "TROJAN HORSE" HAS GONE ALONGSIDE THE BERTH FOR NOW.
ALSO
THEY WANNA KNOW IF WE'RE COMING IN.
OUR NAME, FLEET AFFILIATION, AND PURPOSE OF CALL...
THEY'RE ASKING ABOUT OUR SHIP AS WELL...
WE'LL BERTH EVENTUALLY, BUT BUY US TIME.
HUMOR THEM.
KEEP THEM DISTRACTED.


MST. SGT. DEN-IM!
ARE YOU ON STAND-BY?
YOU'LL LAUNCH IN NO TIME!
FOLLOW A GREAT-CIRCLE ROUTE TO GET TO THE ANTIPODE!
GOT THAT?
MAIN-TAIN RADIO SILENCE UNTIL YOU REACH THE TARGET!
AND NO VERNIER THRUST! ONLY AIR!
THE BLIND SPOT IS STRAIGHT OUT FROM THE COLONY'S CENTRAL AXIS!
THINK OF IT AS A NARROW TUBE!
STAY INSIDE IT!!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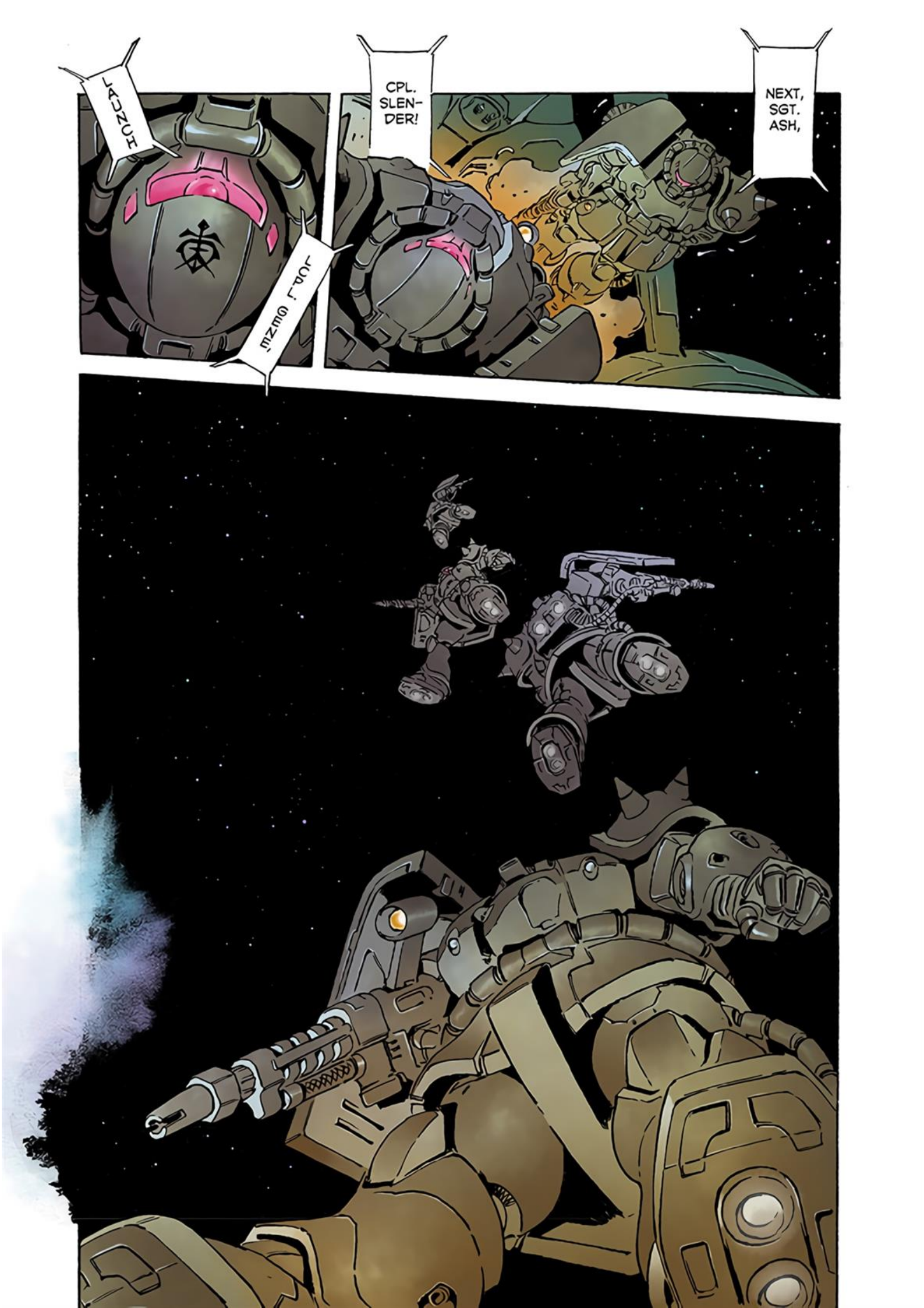
HATCH OPENING IN 5 SECONDS.
ハッチオープン
LAUNCH
MST. SGT. DEN-IM UNIT


NEXT, SGT. ASH,
CPL. SLEN-DER!
LAUNCH
LCPL. GENE,